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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN LABOUR.

POLITICAL PARTY WOULD BE DETRIMENTAL.

Washington, February 22.
Mr. Gompers has written Mr. William Mitchell, Labour leader at Indianapolis, that the formation of a political Labour Party would be detrimental to the interests of Labour.

U. S. RAILROAD BILL.

UNACCEPTABLE TO THE WORKERS.

Washington, February 21.
Representatives of the Railroad Brotherhoods who recently conferred with President Wilson called at White House and presented a petition to President Wilson protesting against the passage of the Railroad Bill, stating that the Labour provisions of the Bill are wholly unacceptable to the railroad workers.

THE BILL APPROVED.

Washington, February 22.
The House of Representatives has approved the compromised Railroad Bill after a debate lasting four hours.

AMERICAN ELECTORS.

SHOULD KNOW ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

New York, February 22.
Speaking at a dinner of the Bulgrave Institution in celebration of the centenary of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers, Mr. Marshall, Vice President, declared that immigrants ought to be required to learn English before becoming electors.

VANCOUVER'S NEW DRY DOCK.

TO BE SEVEN HUNDRED FEET LONG.

Ottawa, February 22.
The Government has decided to subsidize the construction of a new dry dock at Vancouver, which will be 700 feet long and will accommodate the largest vessels running between Canada and the Orient.

GERMAN PRISONERS IN SIBERIA.

CONDITIONAL REPATRIATION AGREED TO.

Paris, February 22.
The Ambassadors' Conference has decided on the repatriation of German prisoners from Siberia on condition that the repatriation of Czech-Slovaks, Jugo-Slavs and Poles has priority.

(Other Telegrams on Page 10.)

MISCELLANY.

We have heard much lately about "protocols," especially in connection with the latest insidious move of Germany, says a Home paper. But what is a protocol? The present writer propounded this conundrum to a dozen people without getting correct information. A North Countryman thought it was the name for a new brand of whisky, which would be, he gloomily prophesied, "nobbet 30 under proof." Protocol is really a Greek word meaning the first leaf of a book, a kind of fly-leaf containing a description of the contents. It thus came to mean in diplomacy a preliminary record or minute of propositions agreed upon at a conference, to be embodied afterwards in a formal treaty.

The R.A.F., with yet another change in its uniform under discussion, must regret that George IV. is not alive to-day. As befitted the author of the immortal dictum that a seam was admissible but a wrinkle unpardonable, that monarch put in a good deal of the time he could spare from social affairs, politics, Mrs. Fitzherbert, and dressing himself in devising and criticising the uniforms of the army. During the years he was Prince Regent and King the army was never dressed more grotesquely. In 1811 the heavy dragoons wore

cocked hats and plush breeches, and in 1815, the year which saw the establishment of lancer regiments, as the Poles were the most famous lancers, the light dragoon regiments selected to become lancer corps had to dress like Poles. The uniforms were so tight that the men could hardly handle their arms, and their helmets so high that in action they fell off, and on guard the sentryboxes had to be heightened.

There were, however, two Imperial trains. The general rule was that the first was given up to the staff and baggage, while the Imperial Family travelled in the second. When the day came, and the messages from the Nihilist confederates in the south reported that the Tsar was on his way, the first train was allowed to pass the mine. The second was duly blown up. But on the journey the Tsar's personal train had gone in front and become the first in order, so that while the Nihilists were blowing up the staff and luggage the Tsar went smoothly on his way to St. Petersburg. The conspirators followed after him immediately and mingled unsuspected among the crowd which greeted him on his first public appearance in the capital. The change of trains, which was due to the deliberate design of the police to baffle any attack during the journey, did not save the Tsar for long. He was destroyed by bombs in the streets of Petrograd in March,

1881, by conspirators acting, as before, under the orders of the Executive Committee.

It is said that Lord French escaped death in the recent outrage by travelling in the first motor-car of his procession instead of in the second, as is his usual custom, and, at all events, that he was expected to be in the second car sufficiently attested by the fact that it was the principal object of the attack. If this be so, it is a really remarkable parallel to the similar change by which the Tsar Alexander II. escaped assassination in November, 1879. At that time he was already a marked man. The Nihilist "Executive Committee" had determined to have his life; he had been shot at in St. Petersburg, and he had only escaped from a violent bomb-explosion in the dining-room of the Imperial Palace because he chanced to be late for dinner. Then the Nihilists decided to blow him up while he was returning by railway with his family from his residence in the Crimea to the capital. A mine was to be laid under the line in Moscow, the progress of the Imperial train was to be reported from point to point, and at the proper moment the mine was to be fired.

Hangmen, whose fees have been under discussion in the Commons recently, have always been regarded as dreadful persons in this country, though not without a certain gruesome attraction, especially to curious people of more or less diseased imaginations. But they have required this interest in different ways. Marwood, for instance, was a great frequenter of the Green Dragon in Fleet Street after carrying out on his duties at Newgate in the morning, and the retiring little man, dressed in the most funeral of clothes, clutching a pint pot with his long and nervous fingers, could sometimes be drawn out for a consideration by the young bloods who knew his favourite haunt and resorted thither. Very different was the fate of those who tried to "draw" Calcraft when in retirement he visited the Peacock at Islington. It was his rule that no reference to the subject of his profession must be made in his hearing. He looked like "an old alderman," and his real identity was supposed to be a great secret; he even changed his name to Smithson, and delighted to discourse of the old coaching days and to recall the time when he himself was a mailguard.

The Prince of Wales will have general approval for his confession of opinion against the reading of speeches, though this does not necessarily condemn the writing of speeches. Many politicians have confessed that it gave them a feeling of confidence to have the script at hand—a course generally followed by Lord Randolph Churchill among others. King Edward lacked this advantage on one of the few occasions when he broke down as a public speaker, at an Academy banquet in the days of his roviatite. There have been just a few speakers to whom the House of Commons has been charitable, notably, Campbell-Bannerman, who made no pretence in the matter—a hardbody which perhaps won him immunity from the general rule of criticism for read speeches. It was this transparent honesty that probably saved him from the laughter which attended Lord North's curious habit of making "asides" in exactly the same tone in which he perorated, as, for instance, when he could not find on his script something he wanted: "It is not on this side of the paper, Mr. Speaker; neither is it on that side of the paper!" As a general rule it is rather hard to draw a distinction and to make a rule where "copious notes" end and a "read speech" begins. But a certain latitude is always allowed in the case of perorations, which by tradition owe something to preliminary labour. And there will always be speakers to whom apply Dr. Temple's comment when a young clergyman said that he had taken a vow to preach extempore: "Kneel down, I absolve you from your vow."

SIR A. HOSIE.

INTERVIEWED BY THE "TELEGRAPH."

POPPY-GROWING INCREASING IN CHINA.

A representative of the Telegraph was very courteously given an interview this morning by Sir Alexander Hosie, at the Hongkong Hotel, where he is staying in company with Lady Hosie. From him we have obtained some interesting information concerning the mission which has again brought him back to the Far East, from which part of the world he has been absent for a period of over seven years.

Old residents of China will remember Sir Alexander in connection with his work in the Consular and Diplomatic service in China, but it is in connection with his services to the Chinese Government in 1910 that his name has attained most publicity. The year following that in which the opium question in China was deliberated on at the Shanghai International Opium Commission, to which he was British Delegate, Sir Alexander Hosie was appointed Special Commissioner to investigate the production of the drug in China and rendered very valuable services in the suppression of the harmful industry. He retired in 1912, and proceeded home where his knowledge of the Far East and its economic prospects were conveyed to the public through the medium of three books of which he is the author: "Three Years in Western China," "Manchuria: its People, Resources and Recent History," and "On the trail of the Opium Poppy."

In the course of the interview, Sir Alexander informed our representative that he and Sir John Jordan, the British Minister, came out to China in 1876 as student interpreters. He retired in 1912, leaving, as he thought, for good. The purpose of his present visit were to collect material for a literary work on the economic and commercial products of China. He had been engaged in the work at Home, but he found that there were some questions that he was not sure about and on August last he came here on an eight months' visit to "investigate them." The scope of his investigations was of an extensive nature. He had been travelling in Japan, Korea and Manchuria and had then gone to Peking. The staff of the Legation at Peking being short-handed, he was asked, by Sir John Jordan, in view of his wide experience, to render assistance to the Legation. As special attaché, he was at the Legation for a few months. He arrived yesterday in the Colony by the Glenavy from Shanghai. "I understand Sir John Jordan is retiring," remarked our representative.

"Oh, yes," Sir Alexander replied. "He will be leaving Shanghai on the 6th of March by the Kashmir."

"In regard to the representations made by the Chinese Minister in London to the British Government, that he should be asked to stay on, is it likely that Sir John Jordan will consent to remain?"

"No, I don't think so. He is leaving for good. He has been in China for 43 years."

Questioned in regard to the present opium situation, Sir Alexander said that when he was Opium Commissioner he travelled over the different provinces and observed that China was making good progress in putting a cessation to the cultivation of the poppy, but since that time, it had increased all over the country, he regretted to say, simply because the Central Government had no power over the provinces. India had ceased sending opium to China and it was now for China to do her part in suppressing opium cultivation within her own borders.

Our representative was curious to know what Sir Alexander's opinion was of the Hongkong Government monopoly in opium.

GAOL MATTERS.

THREE INDIAN WARDERS DISMISSED.

We interviewed the Hon. Mr. E.D.C. Wolfe, the Captain Superintendent of Police, to-day to enquire for further news concerning the Committee of Enquiry recently appointed by the Government to investigate matters connected with the Gaol, the condition of which was brought before the public by the recent incident of three prisoners breaking out of the prison and murdering two warders. We were informed that the Committee has begun its investigations. It is to be hoped that as this question is one that concerns the public, the results of such investigations will be made known to them.

A significant fact is that three Indian warders have been dismissed and sent back to India. This was before the enquiry was begun. As to whether this development has any connection with the allegations brought by the condemned convict, Wong Kong we cannot say, the official explanation being that they were sent back to India on account of "neglect of duty."

LOCAL BOXING.

Besides the fifteen-round bout for the Welter Weight Championship of the Colony between Sky-Kerrison and Iron-Buz, a next Friday's boxing tournament, there will be a ten-round catchweight contest between Jack Kibbler, Chinese Maritime Customs, Canton, and Seaman Deconhart, of H.M.S. Hawkins, as well as three other six-round bouts.

Booking (cash only) will open at Mounties on Tuesday for members of the Boxing Association and on Wednesday for the general public.

but Sir Alexander replied that he would prefer to leave discussions about official matters aside.

In further remarks, Sir Alexander informed our representative that besides being engaged in collecting material for his book, he was also assisting on behalf of some friends in England in connection with commercial matters in China. After leaving Korea, he and Lady Hosie travelled by the Yalu River for 100 miles and afterwards made a journey on the backs of mules for nine days through the remote parts of the country towards the borders of Shansi. They are now on their way home.



THE RIGHT HON. MR. H. H. ASQUITH, M.P.

who has just been returned to Parliament by large majorities over the Labour and Unionist candidates at the Polls.

OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, February 18.

The Waichaio is without a head. Mr. Lu Tsang-hsing, on returning from Paris, has declined to take up his duties as Minister of Foreign Affairs and has moved out of the official residence. Mr. Chen Lu, the Vice-Minister, who had been in charge of the Ministry for the past year, has refused to act in the absence of his chief, and went off to Tientsin. The President sent a special representative to persuade Mr. Chen to return to his duties, but he flatly refused to do so, though he has since come back to town. It is understood that the action of the Anfu Club in entering into arrangements with the Okura group of financiers, behind the Government, is responsible for the decision of the Minister and the Vice-Minister to resign. Needless to say, these resignations create a very awkward situation. It was thought that Mr. Chang, one of the counsellors of the Waichaio, would act, but he is ill in bed—wise man!—and so the authorities have to look elsewhere. It is believed that Sun Pao-chi, who is somewhere in the South, will consent to fill the vacancy.

It would appear as if China were not to get any money before the lunar New Year. True, the Government has accepted the conditions of the Consortium, including America, and America is disposed to put up all the £17,000,000 herself if need be, but the delay is due to the bankers, not yet having completed minor details. Yesterday it was reported that the Yokohama Specie Bank and associated Banks had received permission to make an advance of five million dollars, but I am informed that no money has changed hands. It will be anything but a happy new year if there be no funds available for the Government to meet its obligations at this time.

At present the students are quiescent. Their organisations have been dissolved by order of the authorities, and the streets are daily patrolled by soldiers and gendarmes in order to prevent any demonstration on the part of the students, who are simply biding their time to express themselves on the political situation.

The Bolshevik bogey is being trotted out again in order to warrant the use of further troops on the borders. Reports from the Manchurian authorities do not disclose any movement on the

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

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part of the Bolsheviks in Siberia to enter Chinese territory, but all the same the Government wishes to take no risks and has ordered reinforcements to be sent to the frontier, while Chinese suspected of coming from Siberia into China to spread the doctrines of Bolshevism are to be detained until they are proved to be quite harmless.

The chief secretary of the President's Office and the Chief Secretary of the Cabinet entertained foreign journalists in the capital to a tiffin at Yin Tai Island within the former Imperial residence. It was served in the apartments in which the unfortunate Emperor Kwang Hsu was imprisoned by the Dowager Empress. This fact added much to the pleasure and interest of the gathering. To-day the Chinese and Japanese journalists were similarly entertained.

Dr. A. P. Shelton, the American missionary stationed at Batang, who was captured by brigands in Yunnan two months ago, has not yet been liberated. All that is known is that he is in good health and that letters and papers sent to him by his wife have been received by him. His seizure, as has already been explained, was designed to make the Governor lose face and create difficulties for him with the higher authorities. Dr. Shelton's life is not considered to be endangered.

Tientsin carried off the ice hockey honours, winning from the Marines by 4 goals to 3 and from the Peking Club by 5 goals to nil. Peking has had an unfortunate year, a number of players either being absent or have been injured and unable to play.

Though the Government exchequer is empty there seems no slackening in the preparations for the enjoyment of the China New Year. For days the markets and shops have been busy as the people are making their purchases of new clothing and laying in a stock of food for the new

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FAR EASTERN SHIPPING.

THE AMERICAN BID.

Trans-Pacific trade is about to receive its first great help from the United States Shipping Board (says the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce Journal).

This information is contained in news dispatches which have been received from Washington, which state that definite plans have been made to allocate several large passenger ships to the Pacific trade not later than next May.

These ships, together with all new ships now building, will, according to report, be sold to purchasers who will guarantee that they will maintain the trade routes designated by the Shipping Board.

All vessels assigned to the Pacific trade will be of the very best type of combined freight and passenger ships. Present information is that they will be about 535 feet long, will have the best passenger accommodations and will, in addition, carry from 12,000 to 16,000 tons of freight.

The fact that these vessels will ply in certain prescribed routes will give a great impetus to trade development inasmuch as merchants will be able to figure on sailings from six to nine months ahead, and will know definitely that the schedules will be maintained.

Dr. Paul S. Reinsch, former Minister from the United States to China, acted as spokesman for the Pacific Coast delegation before the Shipping Board. In view of the important outcome of the Conference with the Chairman, Mr. John Barton Payne, and the other members of the Shipping Board, some of the arguments used by Dr. Reinsch in presenting the case will be of immediate interest to the public.

Dr. Reinsch laid great stress upon the possibilities of the Chinese market, which depends so greatly upon available ships. He stated in part:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Shipping Board: "I shall not take time to go into the historic development of the activities of American commerce with the Far East.

"The condition of our own industrial life, the readiness of the Chinese and other Asiatic peoples to deal with us, the opportunities created by the war for established currents of trade flow in our direction, all these are present in your minds. I desire, however, to emphasize one particular element which renders the cultivation of our Far Eastern commerce at the present time particularly important. I refer to the exchange situation. The gravest problem in our industrial situation to-day is the fact that, on account of the favourable exchange, we are confronted with the danger of losing the greater part of our European market. This situation is exactly reversed in the Far East, particularly in China. The exchange is as favourable to China as it is unfavourable to Europe. The opportunity is, therefore, presented by developing Asiatic trade to redress to a large extent the balance disturbed by the unfavourable European exchange. The Chinese pay in silver, and silver exchange is with American gold at a premium (at present a gold dollar brings only about ninety-five cents in Chinese currency). In sending their merchandise to Chinese, American merchants, therefore, receive a currency which they can exchange into their own at very great advantage.

"Looking at the Far Eastern market, we cannot fail to conclude that in its extent and in its mass of purchasing power it is far superior to that of South America, and considering the local competition of European industries in European countries, it is to us superior also to the European market. For instance, the resources of China include foodstuffs of all kinds, silks, tea, furs, oils, hides, together with all the mineral products which form the raw material of the principal industries. It is to the interest of America, as a nation, that the Pacific Coast should be developed into a manufacturing region. This can be done only by drawing on the Asiatic countries for raw materials and by supplying them with merchandise. As a market these regions absorb every kind of iron and cotton products, they need vast quantities of agricultural and industrial machinery, as well as of lumber and certain food products, like flour. In these regions, and particularly in China, Americans, moreover, enjoy the good will of the population to such an extent that American trade relationships and American products are given the preference over any other."


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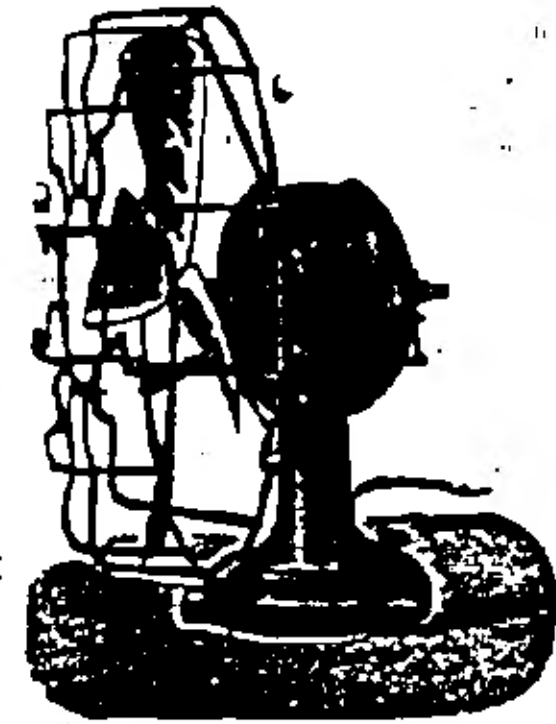
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GENERAL NEWS.

encourage local industries. Protective measures were invoked on a famous occasion for the benefit of the tin industry. No export duty is at present payable on rubber seed oil. Import duties have hitherto been imposed only for revenue purposes and as war taxes. Shortly such a duty will be imposed to protect the new matchmaking industry. Recently an export duty was imposed on West African palm oil consigned to the Continent, and there was criticism at Home of this limitation of the natives' market for their produce. The encouragement of local industries will benefit the country and, therefore, indirectly, the people inhabiting it. But it will be necessary for the Committee to go thoroughly into the question, and to satisfy themselves as to whether a particular duty will actually benefit local industry.

A BIG DEAL.

Lever Brothers, Limited, the famous soap manufacturers, are acquiring the whole of the shares in the Niger Company, Limited, at 130s apiece. The deal involves the sum of £8,125,000.

A WOMEN'S WAR MEMORIAL.
The Women's War Memorial, it is proposed, should take the form of a national hall in London to house every association and interest connected with women's work and aspirations. It is stated that the offer of a site on the Embankment, 200 yards from the Houses of Parliament, has been made.

MANILA AND AVIATION.
Aerial passenger service between Shanghai and Manila may be inaugurated soon, according to reports recently received at Manila. The largest airplane ever landed in the Far East arrived in Shanghai last week. It was a Handley-Page passenger machine and it is said on good authority that travellers craving speed and thrills may jaunt from Manila to the Chinese port via the air route. The airplane was co-opted to Major McBain, of the Shanghai volunteers, and was shipped from London, and the frivolously inclined may soon forget the more plebeian method of water travel and play bridge to the tune of an airplane motor.

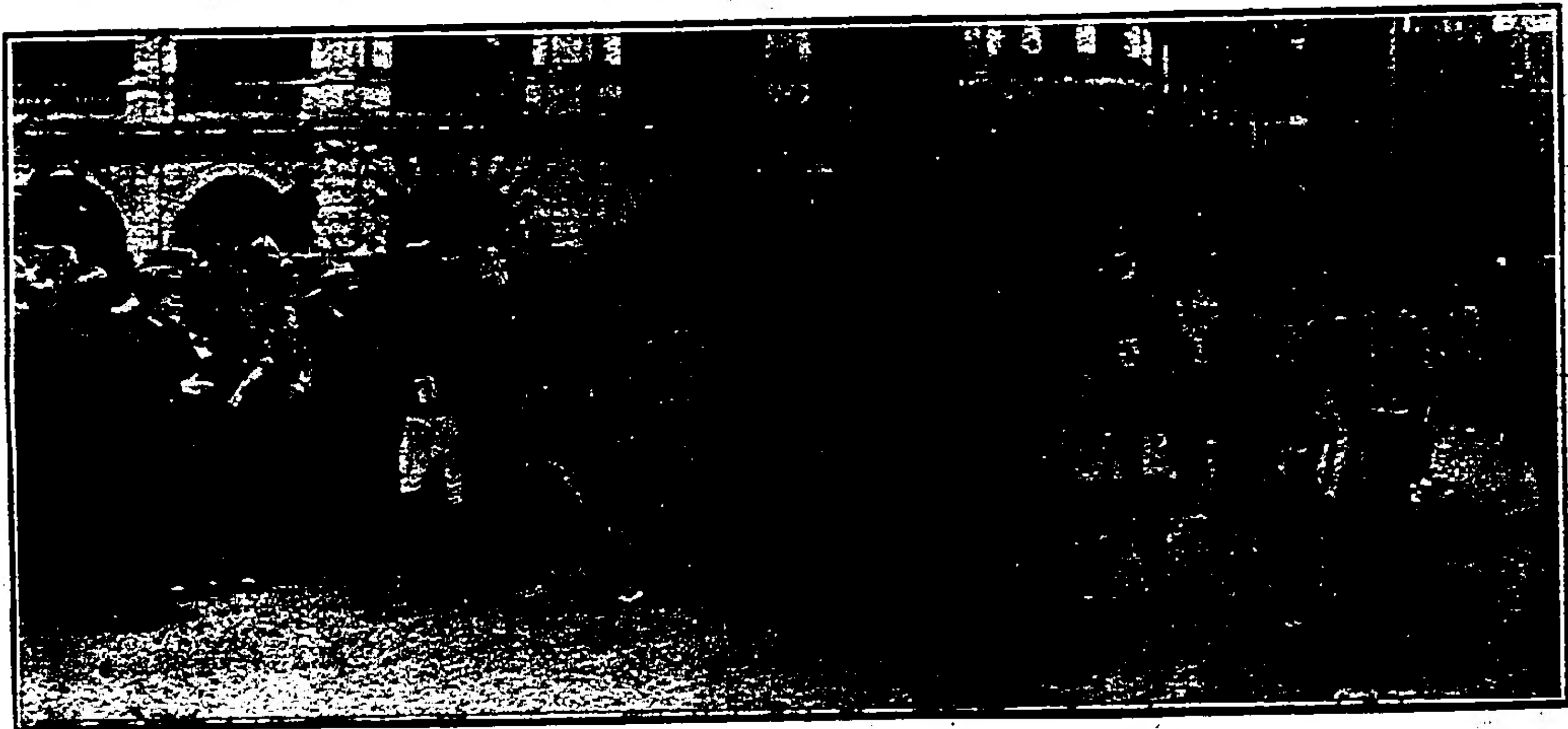
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HONGKONG MARATHON RACE.

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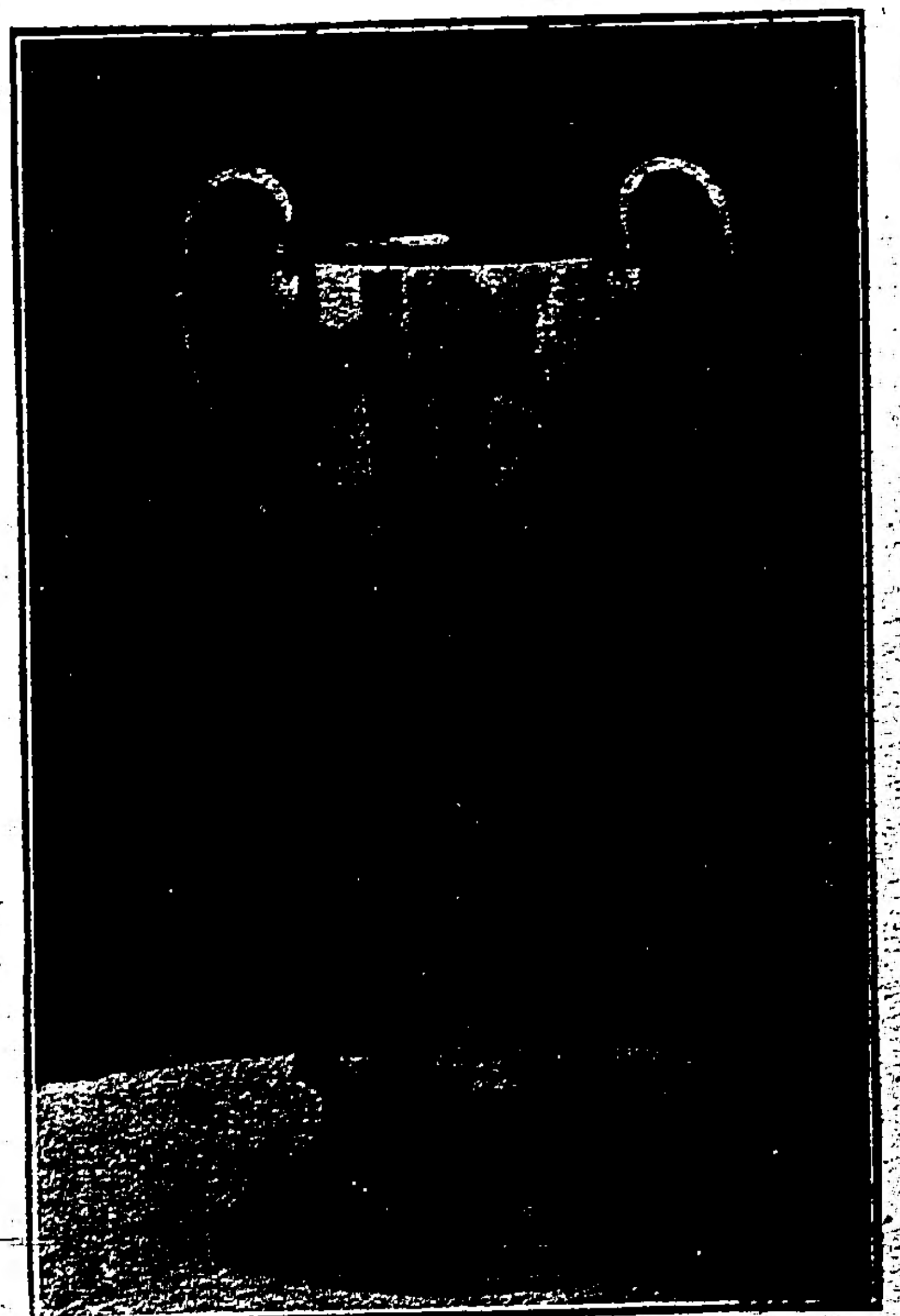
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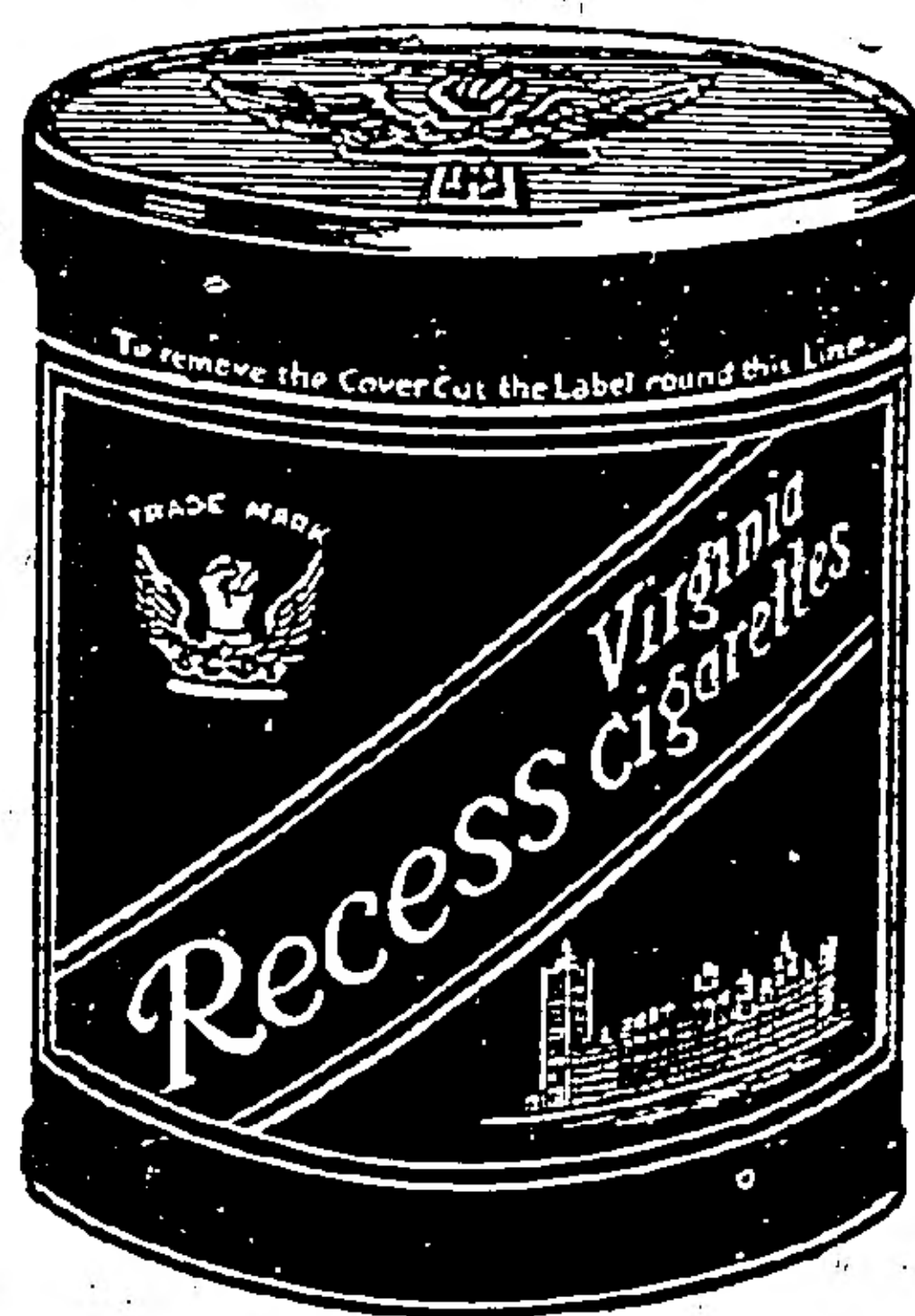
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GENERAL NEWS.**KITCHENER MEMORIAL.**

Scholarships to the number of 36 have been granted by the Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund to the sons of officers, N. C. O.s, and men of H. M. Forces. Mechanical engineering, mining, and industrial chemistry attract the largest number of the students, and there is only one for rubber planting. This has attracted E. W. Comins, Blundell's School, who obtains £120 per annum and fees for one year at Aberdeen Planters' Course.

MODEL HOUSES.

The Countess Rocksavage recently laid the foundation stone of some model houses to be erected in the Folkestone fishing area. The scheme has been initiated by Sir Philip Sassoon, M.P., for the borough who has provided the necessary capital to qualify for the Government grants. Sixteen self-contained cottages and eight flats are to be erected at a cost, including roads and drainage, of £13,805. Each house will cost on an average £625, exclusive of fees.

GREETING TO GERMANY.

The whole of the German Press gratefully acknowledged the message of Christmas greeting of the English and American Fellowship of Reconciliation to the German people and other opponents in the war. A meeting in London convened by the Fellowship called for the foundation of a Christian International. This is regarded in Germany as one of the most urgent Christian duties for the restoration of full and friendly relations between peoples, for the cleansing of the economic life of Europe, and the reception of all nations into the League of Peoples.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

Modifications which have been made in the programme of the Olympic Games, Antwerp, 1920, include the reduction of the duration of the Games in the Stadium to three weeks, as suggested by the British Olympic Council, and the number of entries has been reduced to correspond with that laid down by the Olympic Congress of Paris, 1914. These figures are in most cases higher than those suggested by the British Olympic Council, but are less than those in the draft programme. In the individual athletics section the Marathon race, a steeplechase of 3,000 metres (as suggested by the British Olympic Council), and a cross-country race of 10 kilometres (the B.O.C. has asked for 10 miles) are included. Bomb-throwing is replaced by putting a stone of 350 grammes. In the swimming section a 300 metre race and fancy diving for ladies are included, as suggested by the B.O.C. The boxing weights are those proposed by the British Olympic Council but brought to round numbers in kilograms. The cycling road race is 175 kilometres, and the track events are 1,000 metres, 2,000 metres (tandem), 4,000 metres (pursuit), and 50,000 metres, as suggested by the B.O.C.

MISTAKE OF PARTIAL PACTS.

"If the old spirit of alliances creeps into the League it is morally wrecked. It would be a grave mistake to delay Germany's entrance into the League. The monarchist movement grows, and so does the revolutionary tendency. Every act which seems to perpetuate the enmities of the war is grist to the mills of reaction and revolution in Germany. The present demand for the surrender of her dock equipment is a case in point. It is a blow at her ability to work."

France, on the other hand, retains conscription, and with it holds an immense preponderance of armed strength in Europe. Poland, Czechoslovakia, Italy—all the Allies, in short—retain their conscript armies, and all by the Covenant of the League, are pledged to aid any member—*for example, France*—which may be attacked.

"Labour, in my opinion, must dissociate itself sharply from the conclusion of any partial alliance within the League of Nations. We are ready, however, to support every measurable claim for economic help to France, and if the need should come, we should be the first to insist that she should receive the protection to which she and all members of the League have a right."

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A *Daily Chronicle* representative recently discussed the question, arising out of a law case just decided, with several well-known people. Here are the conclusions of two of them—

Mr. George Bernard Shaw, who discussed the ethics of married life very freely in his play, "Getting Married": "It depends on the sort of man. Some men would be guilty of cruelty if they stayed at home all day."

Mr. Charles Garvice, a specialist, in his novels, in marriages which end happily—

"If a man gives all his spare time to a sport from which his wife is of necessity excluded, I should say emphatically that he is being guilty of subtle cruelty. Until quite lately I lived near a golfing centre, and I noticed that what I call 'golf-widows' were very common."

"Of course, heaps of men play golf, with every justification, once a week or so for recreation. That is a very different thing from neglecting their wives for the game. In the great many cases this habit of putting sport in what ought to be the wife's place results in the wife, especially if she is young and pretty, turning to someone else for comfort."

But the trouble is not entirely on one side. Many women, for instance, are absolutely indifferent to their husband's business affairs. They are absorbed in the small things of their daily life and become perhaps more mothers than wives.

"The husband discovers there is no sympathy for him in the home, no interest in the business which makes the money for the maintenance of the home and which purchases the wife's pleasures. Consequently he becomes self-centred, and, if his interests cannot be fully engaged by his profession, he flies to golf or some other form of sport."

I would suggest two remedies. 1. That the woman should remember that she married the man before there were any children to absorb her love and attention.

2. That the man should remember that he courted the woman before he married her and that, if he wants to retain her affection, he must continue to court her."

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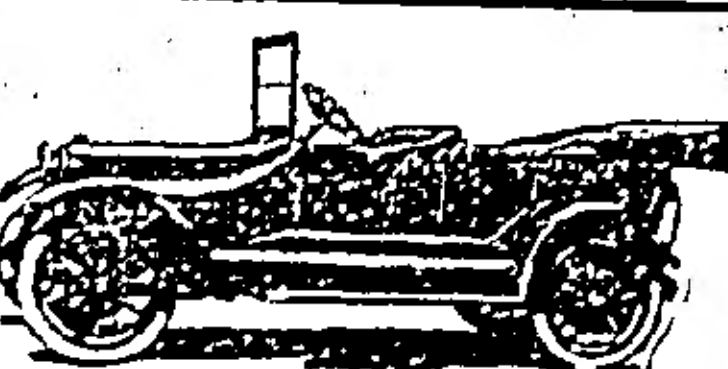
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WILHELM'S UNFULFILLED DREAM.

We have just been reading some of the newly-published letters which passed between the ex-Kaiser and the ex-Czar some fifteen years ago. These missives show how hard Wilhelm strove to effect an alliance which should result in the downfall of Britain. They are particularly apposite at the moment, when there is being displayed by the Entente Powers a determination that the ex-Kaiser, to whom intrigue and underhand diplomacy are as the breath of life, shall not remain on European soil and thereby threaten afresh the peace of the Continent. In one of his letters to the ex-Czar, Wilhelm says: "If you and I stand shoulder to shoulder, the main result will be that France must openly and formally join us both, thereby fulfilling the treaty obligations to Russia, which is of the highest value to us." And to prove that the ex-Kaiser was wont to assume great powers to himself, it is interesting to read these words of his which he used in sending a draft of the proposed Treaty to Nicholas: "Nobody, not even my Foreign Office, knows anything about it. The work was done by von Bulow and me personally."

These Kaiser letters to the ex-Czar show the consistent malice of the writer's mind towards Britain. This obsession was partly due to fear of British sea-power, but was also derived from envy of British prosperity. To destroy Britain was the lifelong dream of the Hohenzollern Emperor, and the whole of his diplomacy turned upon that pivot. He urged on the Czar the creation of a new "Continental Alliance" against us. He pictured a league between the then Triple Alliance and Russia which France would have to join. "Such a treaty would encourage foreign financial circles to invest in enterprises in Russia, and it is not impossible that even Japan may feel inclined to join. This would cool down the English self-assertion and impertinences, as she is her Ally, too. The moment the new groupement was known, smaller nations will be attracted to this new great centre of gravity, and they will revolve round the orbit of Russia, Germany, France, Austria, and Italy. This quintuple alliance will hold all unruly neighbours in order, and impose peace even by force if there is a Power bareheaded enough to wish to disturb it." Luckily, Nicholas did not wish to see the Hohenzollern monarch as Lord of Europe. Though no great statesman, the ex-Czar had a clear conception of the point that in a "Continental Alliance" of the character indicated by the Kaiser, Russia would have to take second place, and precedence would have to be yielded to the Kaiser. The prospect did not please the autocrat and the blandishments from Berlin failed to break the Franco-Russian alliance.

Wilhelm tried his hardest to isolate Britain, but by his own obvious malice and ambition he only succeeded, in the end, in getting the whole world ranged against himself and his Allies. Luckily for the world, Wilhelm was not a great man. As one commentator has put it, had he possessed the mental capacity of a Bismarck the whole history of Europe would have been different. He had everything in his favour when he was called to play the great game—but one thing. He had the most powerful Army in the world, and the genius and industry of a great nation. "The Fates gave him all the gifts necessary to win, but added the one gift that made all the others valueless. They gave him an undersized brain."

NOTES & COMMENTS.

WAR FORTUNES.

After quite a deal of talk in favour of, and perhaps even a greater amount against, it would appear that those people at Home who made themselves financially fat out of the stress and special circumstances of war are going to have a little of their gain confiscated for the benefit of the State. It always has been obvious that the late war was a golden opportunity for those who were in a position to exploit the needs of the nation, but until the recent publication of some very startling figures few could have imagined that the accumulation of war fortunes was on such a vast scale. In the evidence given by Sir John Anderson, chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue, it appears that well over a quarter of a million people would be affected by a valuation of war fortunes and that a tax, such as that proposed, would result in something like £1,000,000,000 accruing to the State. These are figures that are a little hard to grasp by reason of their magnitude and they are eloquent evidence in support of the proposal. The statement that it would not be possible to discriminate between wealth gained by questionable means, wealth accruing simply from the war, and wealth accumulated by exceptional personal effort and self denial will possibly cause a little misgiving, but it would only be by the taking of a tremendous amount of evidence and that of an unsatisfactory kind, that any discrimination could be attempted. Even in the case of where a person has been the gainer without practicing any questionable method there should be no very great opposition to a tax, because such a person should have the realisation that what was made during a country's travail should in part be returned to lessen the burden of taxes that must always follow an extraordinarily heavy expenditure. Of course, there will be plenty of kicking against the proposal, but there is every moral justification for the innovation, and for ourselves we hope to see it go through successfully. For war profiteers there can be no sympathy; the only danger being that they will be let off too lightly.

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DAY BY DAY.

A CENTRALISED DEMOCRACY MAY BE AS TYRANNICAL AS AN ABSOLUTE MONARCH.—Froude.

The name of Mr. W. E. Douglas has been added to the List of Authorized Architects.

Yesterday's health return shows one fatal case of cerebro-spinal fever, the victim being a Chinese.

The first organ recital of the present series will be given in St. John's Cathedral on Monday week, March 8th, at 6 p.m.

Tenders are being invited for carrying out improvements to Shaukwan Road between North Point and Shaukwan Village.

It is notified that Wong Shing-fan Sergeant Interpreter, Police Department, has been dismissed from his office as from the 23rd February, 1920.

Mr. N. Tusale Mackintosh, M.A., will conduct the Bible Study Class at the Helena May Institute on Tuesday, March 2nd at 5.30 p.m. His subject will be "The stones on the way."

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We are requested by Bishop Pozzoni to state that, owing to the delayed arrival of the steamer by which the priest is travelling, the Lenten Mission, announced to commence at the Catholic Cathedral on Sunday, the 29th inst., has been postponed to a date to be intimated later.

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THE DOLLAR.

March 1st.—The rate of the Dollar, on demand, to-day is 1s. 11-12d.

A PRECEDENT.

March 1st.—The new tone of public opinion in the Straits Settlements is distinctly in favour of political reform, and, happily, it does not demand an explanation of the past so much as an improvement of the future. What the tone of public opinion in Hongkong will be six months hence when the municipal reform question comes into prominence, is a question that few could answer satisfactorily at the present juncture. It is fair to assume, though, that the ratepayers' representatives will probably hold together better in the future than they have in the past.

VOLUNTEERS' BALL.

March 2nd.—The Volunteers' Ball, owing to the death of Capt. the Hon. F.M. St. Aubyn, of the Rifle Brigade, has been postponed to Friday, March 15th.

A UNIQUE PRESENT.

Mar. 2nd.—At the Central Police Station this morning the popularity of Chief Inspector Mathieson with the Chinese section of the Force was evidenced by deputies of the latter presenting him with a handsome silk-robe on which are silk hieroglyphics denoting the virtues of the popular Chief and wishing him a pleasant voyage to his home in "bonnie Dundee."

THE PRINZ HEINRICH.

Mar. 2nd.—That magnificent specimen of naval architecture, the steamship Prinz Heinrich will be visited by a large number of residents on Monday. The agents Messrs. Melchers and Company having courteously issued a lot of invitations to the public to inspect the latest addition to the North German Lloyd's fleet of mail steamers.

AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN BUSINESS.

Mar. 2nd.—The second annual meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at the Company's offices at 12.30 to-day. In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. J. D. Humphreys, Mr. David Gillies presided, and there were also present Messrs. C. P. Chater, J. B. Coutrie (Directors), G. H. Potts, Geo. Fenwick, etc. The Chairman said: "From the statement of accounts you will observe that your Directors are unable again to recommend the payment of a dividend, although at our last annual meeting the business of the Company looked so flourishing that that we fully anticipated a handsome return to the shareholders on the year's working, and so far we are glad to say that the returns have been satisfactory, but unfortunately considerable damage was done to our property by the severe typhoons in the months of September and October last; the amount at debit of typhoon damage viz. \$1,100 does not nearly represent our loss as this covers the damage, to chimneys. In addition to this we lost a large quantity of green goods in the kilns, some coal washed away, matchboxes were destroyed, factory roof carried off, and owing to the damage to our kilns and chimneys the works were non-productive for about two months."

A PRESENTATION.

Mar. 4th.—A very interesting, albeit touching ceremony took place in the chambers of our popular and conscientious and indefatigable Acting Chief Justice, Mr. E. J. Ackroyd, to-day. Shortly after noon, the officers of the Court walked into his study, and Mr. A. G. Wise, Acting Puisne Judge, as spokesman, in a brief but most graceful, appropriate and feeling address presented on behalf of the officers of the Court a beautiful pearlshell card receiver on an exquisite silver pedestal, on which was an appropriate inscription.

HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

FAREWELL DINNER TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

MR. SEVERN ON THE GOVERNMENT'S DUTY TO THE COMMUNITY.

The members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce last night tendered a farewell dinner to the Hon. Dr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, a happy evening being spent at the Hongkong Hotel. About a hundred members sat down to dinner, purveyed in the hotel's usual excellent fashion. During the evening a musical programme was greatly appreciated, among those contributing being Dr. E. Anderson, and Messrs. C. H. P. Hay, R. A. Green, T. G. Patterson and G. P. Lammert, with Mr. George Grimble as accompanist.

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The menu-cover displayed a flight of aeroplanes—certainly not flying in the wanted flight formation for battle—and therefore, possibly, being an anticipation of how peace squadrons should go through the air according to the Chamber's ideas. It was, also, perhaps a tribute to the interest taken in aerial matters by the Hon. Mr. Stanley Dowdell on the occasion of the recent visit of the American Commission.

MR. SEVERN PRAISED.

The Chairman said: We are assembled here to-night to do honour to our general Colonial Secretary, who is shortly leaving us for a well-earned rest, and I am sure that I am voicing the sentiments of all of you when I say that during his long term of office he has, by his ability and tact, deserved well of us; year by year he has enhanced his popularity among us until to-day I think he ranks as one of the most popular Colonial Secretaries we ever had. That is saying a good deal, Gentlemen. If one looks back through the archives of the Chamber of Commerce one is almost forced to the conclusion, from the many controversies and misunderstandings with the Government in the more distant past, that Colonial Secretaries are the natural enemies of the Secretary of our C. of C. For many years now a gratifying change has been taking place, until to-day we find ourselves cooperating with the Government on the most cordial and friendly terms. This is I think an encouraging sign of the times—a sign that the business man is at last coming to be recognised as a power in the land. That he has not been so recognised before is his own fault. It is probably no exaggeration to say that if before the war our businessmen had realised their power and asserted it, instead of looking on while the country was being run by lawyers and others with silvery tongues, there would have been no war. I cast no aspersions on the legal fraternity. The fault was ours, not theirs, and as a matter of fact one of the greatest men of our times was himself a lawyer, but the secret of his success was that he has never been above seeking expert advice and basing his actions and decisions on it.

Politics I suppose appeal to lawyers because they spend their lives minding other people's business, whereas politics do not appeal to the business man because he spends his life minding his own business. Minding one's own business, Gentlemen, can be carried too far, and I think the time has come when to mind our own business properly we must make up our minds to help the other fellow mind his as well, and so automatically help the nation mind theirs. If we do it well it is the best and cheapest insurance against the outbreak of another war.

The closer relationship which I think undoubtedly exists between the commercial community and the Government is largely due to the war having created situations without precedent; situations which the Government official could not solve by looking up his records and finding out what was done 50 or 100 years ago. The only haven of refuge has been expert advice. It is becoming a habit to seek it. By a ways being ready to give it to the best of our ability, let us endeavour to make that habit a permanent one.

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

PRIZE-DAY AT KOWLOON.

There was an informal function at St. Mary's School at noon yesterday, when the 200 children attending the Italian Convent branch at Kowloon met for their annual prize-giving. There were present the Rev. Fr. P. de Maria, manager of the School, Rev. Fr. G. Spada, rector of the Rosary Church at Kowloon, the Rev. Mother Superior and Staff of St. Mary's School. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. J. F. Gomes, who was assisted by her daughter, Miss Mollie Gomes. The absence of Chev. Dr. A. S. Gomes, a large benefactor of the school, was regretted. Proceedings commenced with music and recitations by the scholars, some of those who took part being of very small age. All looked bright and happy in the cheery surroundings of the school. The programme of entertainment was as follows:—

Italian March, by Miss Avelina Souza; "Welcome" song, by the Pupils accompanied by Miss Avelina Souza; Recitation "Work while you work" by the Misses Daphne Cropley and Ivy Goldsmith; Duet, "Il Trovatore," by the Misses Irene Ahwee and Beatrice Bliss; Duet, "La Fiancée des Dragons," by the Misses Irene Ahwee and Laura Carvalho; "A few words of thanks," by Miss Idalina Carvalho; "God Save The King."

At the conclusion of the prize-giving Mr. J. P. Braga was requested to address a few words to the gathering. He regretted the absence of Dr. Gomes that morning, but was glad to see that that gentleman was represented by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. S. Gomes, and her daughter, who was a former pupil of St. Mary's School. The speaker alluded to the fact that rather more than 40 years ago he also, like the children who had received their prizes and others who were seated at their benches, was a pupil of the Convent school. He reminded the elder girls of "The Booklet" in which the passage occurred that—

"Men may come and men may go,
But I go on for ever."

He likened the Convent schools in Hongkong to Tennyson's "Booklet." Many scholars had come to the school and many had gone, but the school continued to go on. He asked the children to remember that the schools were kept going through the devotion and sacrifice of the Sisters—their teachers. The pupils of the present day, who were only little children, could help to keep the school to go on for ever when they grew older and men and women could help the

Sisters in more than one way in the arduous duties they were performing in the sphere of Catholic education in Hongkong. He took a very keen interest in the work of their schools and it was one of the happy privileges and pleasures of his life to be able, in after years, to be associated with the work of their school of children days. He instanced the splendid example of Dr. Gomes in his numerous and magnificent benefactions which permitted of the building of the school in which the children were housed at Kowloon. He referred to the scholarships which Dr. Gomes had endowed for the benefit of scholars of St. Mary's, several of which had been distributed that morning. St. Mary's School, like its scholars, was growing and growing rapidly within its healthy environment. The little ones were growing out of their frocks, so also was the school outgrowing the size of its present accommodation. He asked the elder girls to bear in mind the words in "The Booklet." The school might very soon have to appeal to patrons and parents of scholars for assistance to provide a larger building. Whether the new building be erected within the splendid grounds of their present school or elsewhere he asked the children to remember that they in one way or another could help teachers to provide in some measure the means for building the new school house. It was within the walls of that school that they were to-day laying solidly the foundation of their knowledge which would be of so much help to them in the future. He appealed to them, in conclusion, to make it their duty to see that the stream of St. Mary's School should go on for many and many years long after they had left the benches of their class-rooms.

Miss Idalina Carvalho then thanked Fr. Maria and those present for coming that morning. She desired specially to thank Fr. de Maria for the gold medals he had presented, of which she was one of the recipients. She spoke gratefully of Dr. Gomes' benefactions to the school. The proceedings terminated with three cheers from the pupils.

SOME HIGH BIDS.

Several valuable Covent Garden properties have been submitted to auction, but the bidding did not reach the reserves which had been fixed. The only lot sold was the Bow-street Police Station, which was disposed of for £25,000. It was purchased by the Government. The following were the highest bids made for important sites: Drury Lane Theatre, £134,000; Waldorf Hotel, £149,000; Strand Theatre, £77,000; Aldwych Theatre, £65,000. None of these

YACHTING.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The eighth of the Club championship races was sailed off on Saturday last in a fresh easterly breeze, which moderated while the racing was in progress. The course was: Mark-boat in Quarry Bay (P), channel Rks. (S), Lyman Beacon (P), Mark-boat in Quarry Bay (S)—9.5 miles. The results leave the championship positions in a very close order and expectations may be upset in three of the classes in the ninth and last of the series of races, which is to be sailed on March 6th.

RESULTS.

HANDICAP CLASS.
(Start at 2.30 p.m.)
H'cap Finish. Cor-
Yachts on ing rected
Course. Time. Time.
Dora oves 0'47" 3'38 00 3'38 47
Rella oves 1'35" 3'41 04 3'42 39
Jessica 1'35" 3'38 30 3'37 15
Dorothea 1'45" 3'41 34 3'40 11
Colleen 1'20" 3'42 37 3'36 15
Diana 1'07" D N S
Ayesha 1'07" D N S

ONE DESIGN CLASS.
(Start at 2.35 p.m.)
H'cap Finish. Cor-
Yachts on ing rected
Course. Time. Time.
Ailsa oves 3'10" 2'33 25 2'33 25
Bonita scratch 4'00 39 4'00 39
Daphne oves 2'22" 3'33 24 3'33 24
Halcyon scratch 3'33 28 3'33 28

KEYWARD HAYS CLASS.
(Start at 2.40 p.m.)
H'cap Finish. Cor-
Yachts on ing rected
Course. Time. Time.
Sirius scratch 4'12 08 4'12 08
Ursula oves 4'45" 4'05 38 4'05 38
Dawn oves 0'47" 4'05 41 4'06 28
Liza scratch 4'12 02 4'12 02
Owl scratch D N S

GAIL CLASS.
(Start at 2.45 p.m.)
H'cap Finish. Cor-
Yachts on ing rected
Course. Time. Time.
Gail oves 0'47" 4'08 39 4'08 39
Toinette oves 1'35" 4'12 03 4'13 38
Joan oves 3'10" 4'11 39 4'11 42
Thecla scratch 4'14 29 4'14 29
Ashore 2'22" D N S
Dorothy 2'22" D N S

LEAGUE AND VATICAN.
A protest has been made to President Wilson by the Federal Council of Churches representing 35,000,000 members, against the Vatican being represented on the League of Nations. The Washington correspondent of the New York Times says that President Wilson has re-appointed the American members of the Permanent International High Tribunal of Arbitration at The Hague, whose terms had lapsed during the war. President Wilson it is believed, intends to utilise the tribunal as machinery for the settlement of disputes which may come up before the League of Nations.

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DECLINE IN JAPANESE SHIPBUILDING.

At the close of last month, 200 workmen in the employ of the Nitta Shipyard at Kita Okajima-cho, Osaka, were discharged as a prelude to the contemplated curtailment of the business of the yard, owing to the dullness now prevailing in shipbuilding circles. It is said that the Shipbuilding Department of the Nitta Shipyard will be closed on the completion of the new steamer, which is to be launched at the yard on the 22nd instant. Another dismissal of workers is expected in the near future. An agreement having been reached with the workers turned adrift prior to their discharge, no trouble seems to have occurred in connection with the recent step taken by the management of the shipyard.

EX-GERMAN SHIPS FOR SALE.

The German ships taken over by the United States and allocated to the Philippines under charge of the Manila government are included in the list of former German vessels which are to be sold by the shipping board. Most of these vessels are leased, some to Madrigal and some to Fernandez Hermanos. The lessees have been notified of the intention of the shipping board to dispose of these vessels. One, the Midget, is operated by the bureau of commerce and industry in the inter-island trade, without fixed route or schedule, and the government has cabled for this vessel to be removed from the sales list and allocated permanently to the Philippine government. The Washington authorities have been notified that the Philippine government spent P130,000 in repairing the Midget, for which it has not yet received compensation. The Midget is valuable to the government in cases of emergency; it was used to advantage in the recent rice crisis, when the government was called upon to distribute large shipments of rice to points in the Bicol, Visayan and southern islands and to the northern provinces of Luzon.

JAPANESE TALLYMEN'S GRIEVANCES.

According to a report in the *Kobe Shinbun* there are at present about 1,000 tallymen in Kobe, Yokohama, Osaka, Moji and other ports of the country. In Kobe alone some 380 tallymen are said to be engaged in the task of checking cargo. These men have a good deal of leisure except when a steamer comes into port. Accordingly the employment of the tallymen has been monopolized by the *ukokaisa* or contract agencies of every port, who employ them only when necessary. These men understand a little English and have in addition their Japanese school education, though they are generally regarded as ordinary labourers. It is said that their monthly pay, in the labour contract, is reckoned at ¥100 to ¥120 but that they actually receive only ¥84 to ¥84 (according to their amount of experience) the contractors pocketing the rest. There are eighteen of these contractors, and they are bound together in a guild. They number 18 or so in Kobe and they seem to have recently organized a guild for the free arrangement of tallymen. Complaints have lately been raised against their methods and it is said that some of the tallymen have been thrown out of employment for complaining. The Kobe tallymen have agreed to fight for their rights, as a result. On the Kigen-sen holiday some 70 tallymen assembled at Aotani Recreation Ground to discuss their interests and decide on a plan of campaign. Owing to the meeting not reaching the desired number, they dispersed without any decision being come to. It is, however, possible that they will find an occasion to meet again.

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MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	2nd Mar. at 3 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	Chinkiang	2nd Mar. at 4 p.m.
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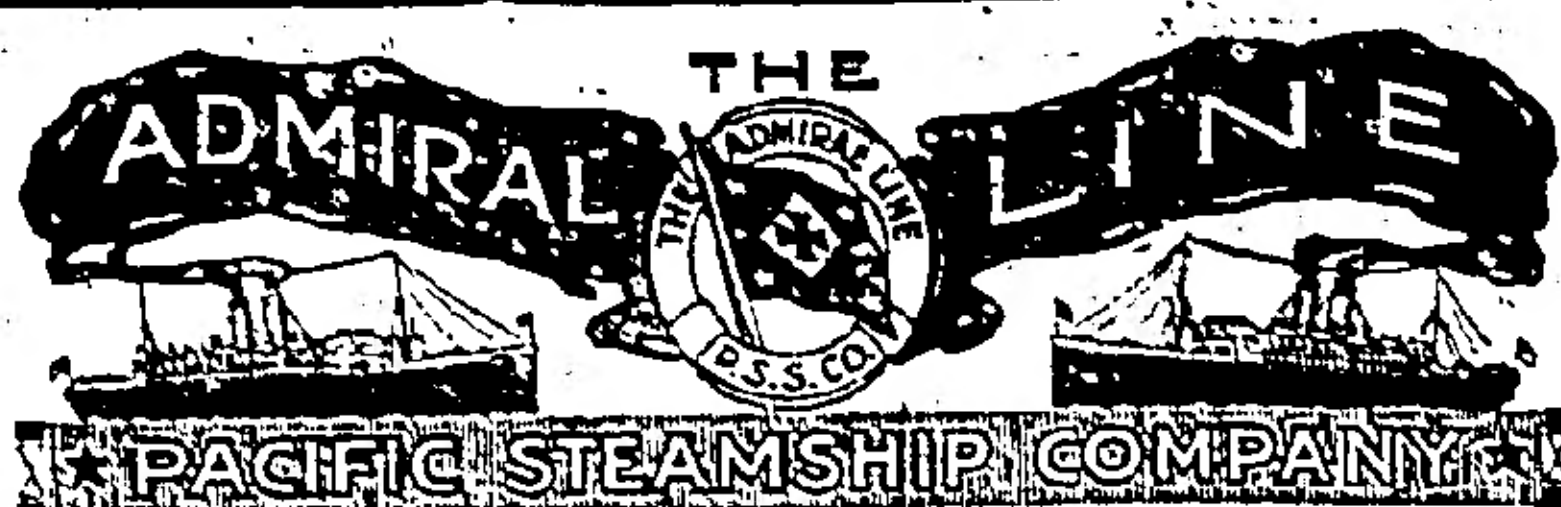
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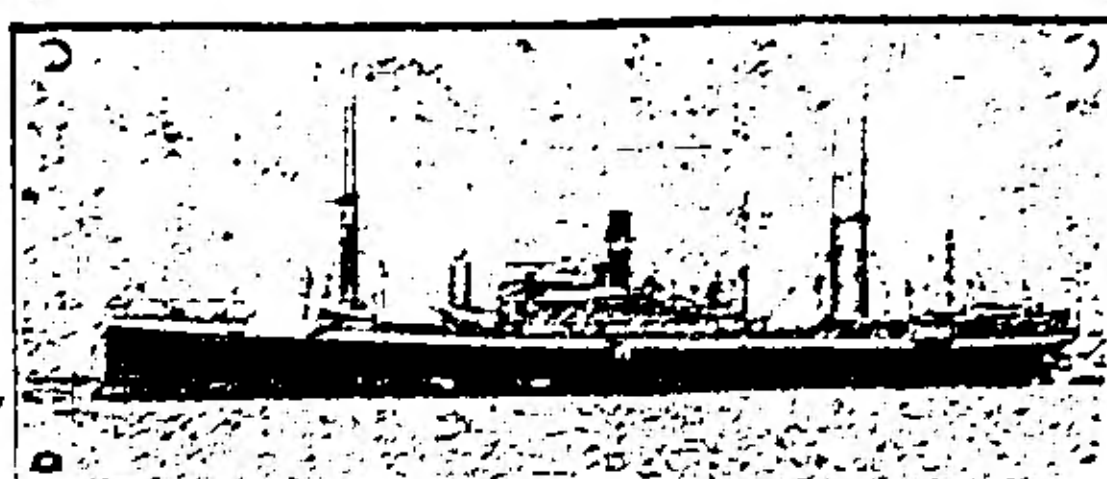
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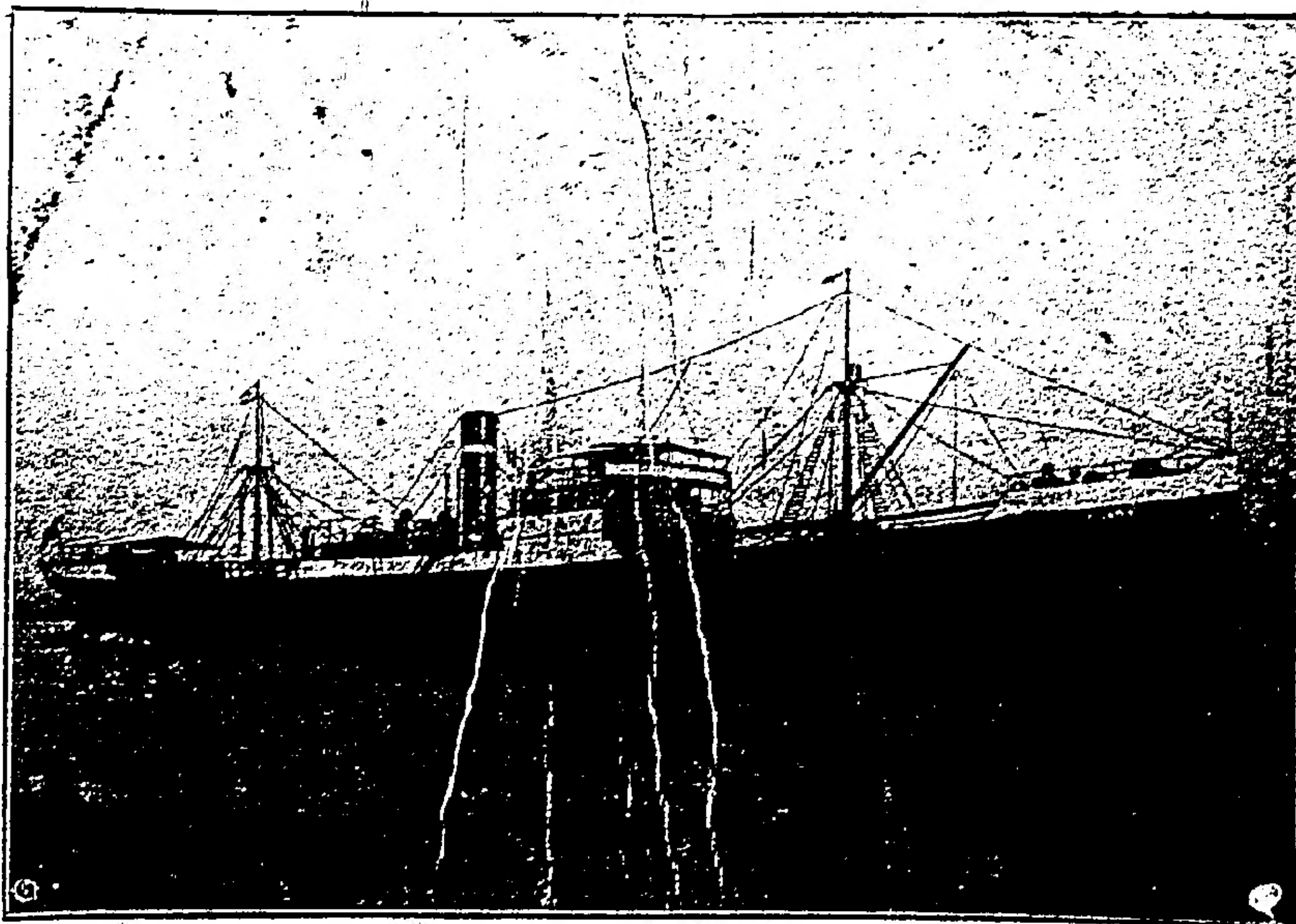
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HONGKONG
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE.

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As regards our own case; the closer ties existing now between us and the Government are no doubt partly due to this same factor, though not to the same extent as at home, but they are also due, in a very large measure, to the attitude adopted towards us by Dr. Severn, both as Colonial Secretary and as O.A.G. He has always displayed the utmost tact, and I lay stress on tact, because it always seems to be that in a Crown Colony where official majorities and unofficial minorities exist, Governors and Colonial Secretaries need every bit as much tact as they do ability. Of this elusive virtue our guest possesses a most enviable supply, which, to my mind, reached the heights of genius when, in order to secure the minimum of friction during his regency, the Justices of the Peace and the members of the Constitutional Reform Association woke up one fine morning to find their champion muzzled sitting on the Government benches.

I do not propose to give you the history of his career; it was very ably given you by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor at the conferring of the well-merited degree. I do, however, want to take this opportunity of stating that this Chamber does not agree with one remark made by my old friend Dr. Jordan in his speech at the University. As a matter of fact I don't think the eminent Professor really meant what he said; I incline to the belief that the wrong word slipped out inadvertently. In referring to Dr. Severn's Acting Governorship he stated that "Dr. Severn administered the Government in a most masterful manner." Now if Dr. Severn administered the Government in a most masterful manner he certainly camouflaged it in a most masterful manner; his tact was of an even higher degree than I give him credit for. I am confident Professor Jordan meant "masterly" and if he did we are in accord with him.

We all know Dr. Severn not only as Colonial Secretary and as the representative of His Majesty, upholding that high position with dignity, but also as the man—a man of many parts—a lover of sport, a lover of the arts, with a keen sense of humour, and also with what I will call a composite construction—that quarter Scotch—which has served him so well in a land so thickly peopled with the Highland race. He is not the only one who can boast of a dual composition. It is not generally known that I myself have a touch of Irish in my blood, a touch that I exploited for all it was worth when Irish blood was on our throne and for all I know, Gentlemen it may account for my finding myself to-day a nominated member of the Council. But to exploit these touches properly I have found out to my cost that one must do as Dr. Severn has done, learn the language. I remember once nearly getting into serious trouble by informing an excitable gentleman, who I had forgotten for the moment was Irish, that our ancestral lands had been seized by Cromwell after the siege of Drogheda.

The esteem in which Dr. Severn is held by Englishmen in this Colony was, I think, well evidenced by the reception accorded Mr. Holyoak's remarks at our last St. George's dinner. The esteem in which he is held by Scotchmen is I think evidenced by the fact that he is invited to the sacred precincts of their Burn's night dinner. The esteem in which he is held by the Chinese was amply evidenced by the reception accorded him, which I believe was without precedent in the annals of the Colony, after the conferring of his degree by the students of the University. The esteem in which he is held by Irishmen is I think evidenced by the esteem in which I hold him myself. And the esteem in which he is held by this Chamber is going to be evidenced by the enthusiastic way we are shortly going to drink his health.

Dr. Severn, it may appear to you that I have to-night struck a lighter vein than befits the dignity of a Chamber of Commerce, but I would remind you that even Chambers of Commerce are human, and that the time is after dinner. I wish now to tell you that this Chamber entertains the highest regard for the qualities you possess, which have en-

abled you to fill your responsible post with distinction. We wish you a happy holiday, and also a speedy return, unless it should please His Majesty to appoint you to a higher post in some other Colony, than which nothing would please us better. If you do not come back Sir, we ask one favour in compensation. We ask you to use such influence as you can bring to bear to leave us permanently in your place your right hand man, the Assistant Colonial Secretary, Mr. Fletcher, for whose ability, resourcefulness, and quick grasp of affairs, this Chamber holds a very high regard. Gentlemen, I ask you to drink to the health of our guest.

MR. SEVERN REPLIES.

The Hon. Dr. Severn said that that morning, while he was working quietly in his office, he received a telephone message asking him if he could send at once a copy of his speech that night. He told the enquirer that he had not the slightest idea of what he was going to say until he had listened to the other man. Well, Mr. Dodwell had spoken with great eloquence about himself and with very kindly references indeed, and what he had said only made him feel that it was a great honour that the Chamber of Commerce had done him in asking him to be their guest that night. He did feel that it was an honour to ask a Colonial Secretary to be the guest of the Chamber of Commerce because it showed what the Chairman had indicated in his speech, that between the Government and the general community of the Colony there existed a harmony, which was absolutely essential, having regard to the advancement of the Colony as a commercial port. He had had little experience of the workings of Chambers of Commerce because, unfortunately, he had known only two, the Chambers of Commerce of Singapore and of Hongkong. He remembered that he regarded the Chamber of Commerce of Singapore with a certain measure of respect and awe, because they were the proprietors of the building in which the Singapore Club was situated. The Singapore Club had the top story of the building and he remembered that they felt the danger of losing the amenities of Club life in Singapore. As regards the Singapore Chamber, he believed that their meetings were conducted with considerable unanimity and accord as a rule, but rumours did reach him sometimes that the meetings were interrupted by altercations which sometimes led to physical violence. He had heard that at one meeting two Scottish members, whom he would call McPherson and McNab, had had an argument and the climax was reached when McNab said to the other "Would you step on to the verandah, Mr. McPherson, please?" (Laughter). What took place on the verandah he never heard. From the internal evidence that the Hongkong Government had it seemed that the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce must be a most harmonious society. During the war conditions were altered, not that there was less harmony, but conditions underwent a considerable alteration. They had had far more to do with each other and the Government had received a great deal of assistance from the Chamber when they were facing extraordinary situations in the early days. He did not think that many of the problems they had had to face could have been solved had it not been for the experience, business knowledge and industry of leading members of the Chamber. That always would be a happy memory.

He recollected that year by year the Secretary of the Chamber had sent him proofs of the annual report of the Chamber and given him twelve hours in which to look through them and in which to look out anything he wished to. He thought that that was one of the heaviest responsibilities that he had ever been called upon to face. He had slashed out page upon page, more to save paper perhaps than to conceal terrible secrets which the world at large should not know. But when the report came out he saw blank pages with enormously printed letters on them bearing the word "censored." He had never meant to censor in the obnoxious way which they remembered as one of the terrible incidents of the war. He had merely indicated that certain might be omitted. The word "censored" was like a red rag to a bull to certain sections of the community who felt that they were being deprived of most valuable information. He was never troubled with the report now except to see it most beautifully bound lying on his

office desk. He never thought he could read a book so quickly as he used to read the report in war days. But it was a book which showed what a vast amount of useful work was being done by the Chamber and he was sure that in the years coming it was going to show an enormous advancement in the activities of the Chamber and regarding the development of the Colony. They had asked him there that night as a guest and he felt that in doing so they were really giving an invitation to the members of the Civil Service of the Colony. It was a very pleasant thing for him to think that there was such good feeling existing between the Civil Service and the community. He had often heard the expression used that there was a governing class, and when he heard that expression used it roused every democratic instinct he possessed, because there was no governing class—(hear, hear)—certainly not at the present day, if there ever was one. There was a class of public servants and no member of that class could be true to his class unless he regarded himself as a public servant, and personally he hoped they would always endeavour to be civil servants. (Applause). He had been a witness of an allegorical play in the Colony recently and afterwards he had the idea that it had a meaning for all of them. His own office was situated on a hill and a good many other public servants lived there, but they would not have to consider themselves as Gods of the Mountain but as servants of the public. That was their principal use. They had no axe to grind and nothing else to guide them except to further the public weal. (Hear, hear). It behaved every member of the public to recognise that as the great future work of the civil service in every part of the Empire. If they were not true to that ideal they would not be doing their duty as public servants. Further, he felt it a particular honour that after having spent eight years in the Colony he had been asked to come as a guest of the Chamber of Commerce because he felt that in asking him they were recognising the fact that the civil servants were trying to do their duty as public servants of the community. (Hear, hear). He also wished to thank Mr. Dodwell for the kind things said about what he had been able to do and especially to help on sport and certain aspects of social life.

The Hon. Dr. Severn went on to refer to the menu card, designed by Col. Bird, remarking that the figure of Commerce stepping down from her throne to the waters of the harbour was designed, perhaps, to remind him of his impending embarkation. It might be, however, intended to have reference to the Oenone. (Laughter). He was leaving in a few days with a great deal of regret and there could be no happier event in the future for him than to return for a further term. Like his late chief he had come to love the Colony and everything connected with it. It was most beautiful to him every day and he lived in hope of coming back to see the progress of certain great schemes which were now approaching their fruition. It he could not see their complete fruits he hoped to see their being under way and on the road to certainty and prosperity. If that happened he would leave the Colony very happy because he felt that if its future was conducted by those present that night then that future was as safe as it possibly could be and would fulfil all the desires of those who loved it most. He thanked them all for their very kind hospitality and he hoped he would return to meet them. (Applause).

THE CHAIRMAN'S HEALTH.

The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr proposed the health of the Chairman, which was enthusiastically received. He spoke of Mr. Dodwell's eight years' work in the Colony marking him as one of the big men. He became Vice-Chairman of the Chamber in 1915 and in 1917 they nominated him to the Chamber's seat on the Legislative Council, and he had done honour to the post. They all knew how well he had fulfilled the task of the Chamber's representative at the recent Conference at Shanghai, and for this work alone, if for nothing else, he deserved the gratitude of the entire commercial community. (Loud applause).

In reply, Mr. Dodwell said that he was leaving shortly for Home and though he might never return to the Colony permanently he would still take the first opportunity of returning here to see what progress had been made and to renew his acquaintanceship with those sterling friends he had made.

BRITISH BOXERS.

WHAT BRITISH FIGHTERS
LACK.

"Punch" writes in the London Observer as follows:—The result of the fight between Frank Goddard and Captain Coghill was much as I predicted. And yet Goddard, who is as ruggedly strong as any pugilist in the world to-day—as physically strong even as Fulton—took six rounds before he could put Coghill down for the count. On three or four occasions during the fight, too, his fortune swung in the balance, and if Coghill had been a swifter or more skilful fighter Goddard would have tasted defeat for the second time. I doubt if he will ever learn much of real boxing. He probably believes that Beckett's victory over him was accidental. He will always put his main trust in his strong arm, his fine frame, and his slugging attack. He is not the mind to learn new lessons or to study his opponents as special cases. Consequently I do not believe that he will ever gain much in skill or learn the important lessons of ringcraft, without which no boxer can go very far. He relies too much on his natural strength, and that is what a large number of our English fighters, especially in the heavier weights, are doing today to their detriment as boxers. Very few are our heavy-weight and light-heavy-weight boxers; and yet it is a sad fact that a boxer of such little promise for the future as Goddard will always command a larger following of enthusiasts than a man like Arthur Townley.

Townley will grow and develop in frame and strength; he has an intelligent mind and is always ready to learn something new about the game. He is a boxer to be encouraged and seriously taken in hand by some far-sighted backer for it is not often that material of his type has come from the English factory during the lean year.

A POPULAR ERROR.

Most of our English boxers are obsessed by a fallacy—the fallacy of the punch. They believe that because they can pull almost any man their own size over a chalked line that they can hit harder than any one of them can. But a boxer before all men should know that this belief is quite wrong. A devastating punch does not depend on the size of the striker, or his physique, or even his muscular strength. It depends mainly on an intelligent mind quick to seize the opening presented by a perfect co-ordination of mind and muscle, a controlled poise and balance of body, and all the muscles of the body concerned with the blow acting in instant harmony. This means perfect timing, placing, and judgment of distance. The effectiveness of a well-planted blow depends very largely on its speed and unexpectedness. If the mind of the recipient is prepared for it, even by a fraction of a second's warning, some of its effect will be lost. A nine-stone man could knock out the heaviest and best of the fighting men if the big man agreed to close his eyes and the little man hit him correctly on the jaw without giving warning of when the blow was coming.

Quite recently Georges Carpentier, a lightweight, demonstrated that the force of a punch did not primarily depend on the weight of the man delivering the blow. It was his speed and his superb timing and placing that gave the force to that terrific punch.

The most remarkable of our old-time fighters were generally men of medium height and weight, and those mentioned below were especially famed for their exceptional hitting power. The great Bob Fitzsimmons was only a middle weight, and yet he beat all comers among the heavyweights in an age of great heavyweights. He it was who knocked out Jack Dempsey in thirteen rounds, Joe Godfrey in one round, Dan Creedon in two rounds, Peter Maher in one round, Tom Sharkey in two rounds, Geoff Horne, Jim Daly, and Con Coughlin in one round each, Gus Ruhlin, in six, and L.J. Corbett in fourteen rounds. He also finished Ed. Dunkhorst (the human freight-car), a man weighing 17 st., in two rounds. Dan Mendoza, England's champion in 1792, also was not much more than 11 st. in weight, but he was a very hard-hitting pugilist, and his skill brought him through victorious in nearly all his battles with much heavier men.

EXCEPTIONAL SWIFTNESS. Even the great Jem Belcher scaled under 12 st., but very few men could stand up long under the heavy punishment he dealt out. I believe that Belcher's manner of fighting was similar to that of Carpentier's, according to contemporary accounts. The actual boxing style, that is the technique, would, of course, be totally different, but this is how a contemporary paper describes him after his fight with Firby: "Belcher is a dashing, genteel, young fellow, extremely placid in his behaviour and agreeable in his address. He is without any remarkable appearance of superior bodily strength. . . . He possesses a style peculiar or natural to himself, capable of baffling all regular science. . . . He was remarkably quick, springing backwards and forwards with the rapidity of lightning. You heard his blows, but did not see them. At the conclusion of a round his opponent was struck and bleeding, but he threw in his hits with suchadroitness that you could not discern how the damage was done. His style was perfectly original and extremely difficult to avoid or withstand. . . . His gravity, coolness, and readiness, utterly disconcerted the fighting men with whom he was often opposed in mimic as well as actual combat."

From the above it will certainly be seen that a close parallel can be drawn between him and Georges Carpentier, and also that the effect of his blows was obtained by his speed of hitting. Tom Sayers, who possessed a very heavy punch, was not much more in weight than a modern welter-weight boxer. Another famous pugilist was Dutch Sam, a man of 9 st. 4 lb. This is what a contemporary writer says of him: "As a hard hitter we except no pugilist whatever; Gully never struck with more force, nor Gribb more heavily than Sam, whose blows were truly dreadful to encounter." Bill Cropley, a tough and spirited pugilist, said that he would prefer half-an-hour's milling with Tom Belcher to a five minutes stand-up with Dutch Sam. Here again the hitting power of the pugilist depended on science and not on muscle.

PASSED FROM THE RING. Skill will always beat mere brute strength. Peter Jackson proved this with Frank Slavin, and Jim Driscoll demonstrated the same dictum with Charles Ledoux for fourteen rounds, until Nature beat the old master. Boxing is the science of self-defence, and self-defence depends really on scientific attack. The most skilful evasiveness is not such a winning card as skilful attack. It is the counter-blow that is the most deadly blow in boxing, because of its unexpectedness and the added force it gets by its recipient stepping into it. But only a master of the Jim Driscoll type can counter effectively.

A large batch of our cleverest and brainiest fighters have passed from the ring. Jim Driscoll, Johnny Summers, and Joe Bowker have withdrawn from active combative work. Digger Stanley has gone from us, and Freddie Welsh has stepped out to give way to a younger man, and Jerry Delaney, who would have proved to be one of the finest light-weights of modern times, was killed in that fearful "Devil's" wood not fifty yards from my side. These were men of high skill and courage, fighters of whom England was justly proud.

Have we any boxers to replace them? A close survey of the position gives us much hope for the future. We have the orthodox Jimmy Wilde, a world's champion; Kid Lewis, one of the finest and speediest welter-weight boxers we have ever seen; Matt Wells, who refuses to bow his head to the figure with the scythe and hour-glass; the classic Johnny Basham, and Joe Fox, who is very successfully upholding our country's reputation in America. Only last week he soundly trounced Joe Lynch, knocking him through the ropes among the spectators in the eighth round. It was this same Lynch, too, who beat Jimmy Wilde some months ago. Also, an interesting piece of news has just come from across the Atlantic. Boy McCormick beat Gunboat Smith last week in four rounds.

So that a little success has come our way at last. I firmly believe, however, that if our fighters relinquished the "punch" fallacy, and followed the proved superior England School and traditions that once again we should be able to hold up our head proudly in the world of boxing.

NEW
ADVERTISEMENTS

TO BE LET.

TO BE LET.—Fully furnished top corner flat, 2 large rooms one small, April 1st; Kowloon, Nathan Road. Apply Box 320 c/o "Hongkong Telegraph."

TO BE LET.—Three large rooms in the Old Supreme Court Building. Apply to Messrs. Noronha & Co.

NOTICE.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

With a view to avoiding disappointment to patrons, the Management beg to announce that the Hotel is fully booked for the night of Saturday, February the 28th, both in regard to dancing and dining accommodation. No Tea Dausant will be held on this day.

WISEMAN, LTD.

DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY February 28th

Special Menu (\$1.00)

Special Music.

Dance tickets \$1.00 each.

D. M. GOODALL

Manager.

NOTICE.

CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN
SERVICES, LTD.

Trans-Pacific.

Office of the Manager
Japan and China.Yokohama, 1st February, 1920.
Effective 1st February, 1920.Mr. P. D. Sutherland, General
Agent Passenger Department,
Hongkong, is appointed General
Passenger Agent for Japan and
China, with Office at Hongkong.Wm. T. PAYNE,
Manager
Japan and China.Approved:
G. M. BOSWORTH,
Chairman.

NOTICE.

NEW FRENCH LOAN 5%.

Price of issue Frs 100
Redeemable at Frs: 150
in 60 years by half yearly
drawings.

Interest payable on the 1st of
May & 1st of November.

Drawings to take place on the
16th of March & the 16th of
September of each year.

1st drawing on the 16th of
September 1920. 1st coupon of
Frs: 3.50 to be paid on the 1st of
November 1920.

Subscriptions will be received
up to the 10th of March next
by the:

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE
L. Berindoague,
Manager.

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the
Thirty-fifth Annual Ordinary
General Meeting of the Company
(since its registration) will be held
at the Hongkong Hotel, Hong-
kong, on Saturday, the 6th March,
1920, at Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the
General Managers together with
a Statement of Accounts to the
31st October, 1919.

The Register of Shares of the
Company will be closed from
Wednesday, the 3rd day of March,
1920, to Monday, the 8th day of
March, 1920, both days inclusive,
during which period no transfer
of shares can be registered.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON
General Managers
Hongkong, 26th February, 1920.

NOTICE.

NEW FRENCH LOAN 5% 1920.

Under the guarantee of the
French Republic

The Local Branch of the
BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE
CHINE will receive subscriptions
for the New French Loan 5%
1920 from the 19th instant to the
10th of March next.

The Loan is free of income tax
and redeemable in 60 Years at
15% by half-yearly drawings, the
interest coupons being payable
on 1st May and 1st November of
each year.

Fully paid subscriptions at par
Partly paid subscriptions at
101% purporting:

Fr. 25.—when subscribing
Fr. 25.—on the 1st of April
Fr. 25.—on the 16th of July
Fr. 25.—on the 1st of
August, 1920.

M. ROUET DE JOURNEL,
Manager,
Hongkong, 16th February, 1920.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG BOXING
ASSOCIATION

FOURTH TOURNAMENT

At the Theatre Royal
on FRIDAY
MARCH 5th at 9.15 p.m.

MAIN EVENT:
WELTERWEIGHT CONTEST

between
SKY KERRISON
(Champion of the Colony).

and
IRON BUX.
Full programme will be adver-
tised later.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby that the
services of Messrs. Wong Fook
Loy, Siu Chuen Kam and Chan
Hon Piu with this Company have
terminated on the 30th day of the
12th Moon of the Ki Mi Year
(the 19th February, 1920) and
those whom it may concern are
requested to take note hereof.
Dated this 20th day of
February, 1920.

THE HING WAH PASTE
MFG. CO., LTD.
47 & 48 Connaught Rd. Centl.
Hongkong.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction on

Thursday the 4th March 1920.

commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 8 Stewart Terrace

No. 94 The Peak

A Quantity of Valuable House-
hold Furniture

including:—

Teak extension dining table,
Silver Cabinet with Chubb's Lock,
Teak Bookcase, Teak wardrobe
with bevelled mirror, Teak Dining
Table with bevelled mirror, Marble
Top teak washstand, Brass
mounted bedstead 6'7" x 6'6" with
wire and hair mattresses, and
mosquito nets, Child's Cot with
wire and hair mattresses etc. etc.

A Quantity of Books

Bath Room, Pantry, and Kit-
chen Utensils etc. etc.
also

One Perambulator in good con-
dition,
One Collection of Butterflies
and Moths,
One Collection of snakes in
bottles,
A Number of Ferns and Plants
in pots.

On view from Wednesday the
3rd March, 1920

Catalogues will be issued

Terms: cash on delivery.

Geo. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

NOTICE.

Mr. G. G. Hoppeler has this
day resumed charge of our firm
in Canton.

VILLA BROS. OF CANTON
LTD.

Canton, 27th February, 1920.

HOPELESS TANGLE.

LABOUR MISSION IN IRELAND.

The Dublin correspondent of the *Daily Express* says that the British Labour Mission, which is visiting Ireland to inquire into conditions generally, was amazed at the hopeless tangle prevailing in the country.

Members of the Commission have met Mr. Griffiths, Acting-President of the Sinn Féin Republic, and several members of his so-called Cabinet, and have also held interviews with the southern Nationalists, Unionists, and Labourites.

They have learned from all sides that the issue is uncompromisingly "All or nothing." There must either be union, backed by the fullest military force, or a complete Republic and independence.

The Mission regards either solution as impossible. The Labour Party, certainly, will not take up Republicanism. At the same time, it is inclined to think that Mr. Lloyd George's scheme for a dual Parliament only a waste of time.

The Mission will probably advocate a wide scheme of Dominion Home Rule with county option, coupled with an ambitious plan of industrial revival.

A Berlin report states that Baron von Horst, who is conducting propaganda on behalf of Sinn Féin, declares that Germany ought to help the Irish Republic, hoping that Irish-Americans in return will use their influence in America on behalf of Germany.

Mrs. Redmond, widow of the Assistant Commissioner of Police, recently assassinated, is claiming £12,000 from Dublin City on account of her husband's death.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. YOKOHAMA MARU (European Line.) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 24th Jan., and is expected here on the 3rd Mar.

The N. Y. K. s.s. WAKASA M. (European Line.) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 29th Jan. and is expected here on the 11th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TAMBA M. (European Line.) left London for this port via Suez on the 14th Feb. and is expected here on the 24th March.

The N.Y.K. s.s. WAKAMATSU MARU (Bombay Line.) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 11th Feb. and is expected here on the 29th Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. RANGOON M. (Calcutta Line.) left Calcutta for this port via Rangoon and Singapore on the 12th Feb. and is expected here on the 1st Mar.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TAIAN M. (Calcutta Line.) left Calcutta for this port via Rangoon and Singapore on the 13th Feb. and is expected here on the 3rd March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHINRYU M. (Bombay Line.) left Bombay for this port direct on the 15th February and is expected here on the 6th March.

The China Mail S.S. Co.'s s.s. NILE sailed from Yokohama on February 21st and may be expected to arrive here on Feb. 29th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. HAKATA MARU (South American Line.) left Kobe for this port on the 22nd February, and is expected here on the 29th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. NIOHIYO MARU (Bombay Line.) left Bombay for this port direct on the 17th February, and is expected here on the 8th March.

The A. L. s.s. CROSSKEYS (from Seattle) sailed from Shanghai at noon February 26th and will arrive at Hongkong on Feb. 29th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. CEYLON M. (Calcutta Line.) left Moji for this port on the 26th Feb., and is expected here on the 2nd March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SAIKAI M. (Bombay Line.) left Singapore for this port on the 22nd Feb., and is expected here on the 3rd March.

The P. & O. s.s. DUNERA left Singapore for this port on the 25th instant at 8 a.m. and is due here on the 1st March at about 6 p.m.

TIDE TABLE.

23rd to 29th Feb. 1920.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Mean Time
Mon. 23	11 35	5 32	18
Tues. 24	11 54	5 56	21
Wed. 25	12 16	6 26	22
Thur. 26	12 41	6 49	23
Fri. 27	1 00	7 18	24
Sat. 28	1 23	7 49	25
Sun. 29	1 49	8 21	26

m morning, a afternoon.

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

DISCOUNT PER \$100:	
H'kong 50 cent pieces	\$5 p.m.
10 "	\$1 p.m.
5 "	\$10 p.m.
Canton coins	\$3 1/4 p.m.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in the E. E. Telegraph Office at Hongkong:—

Attent, from New York.
Bridges, Astor Hotel, from Eastbourne.
Chivregol, from San Francisco.
Chutgotra, from Bombay.
Claments, American Consul, from Manila.
Fitzgerald, Hongkong Hotel, from New York.
Gibbank, from London.
Kygiser, from Bagota.
Loomis (3) American Consulate from New York.
L. Vanstelle, Kashima Maru, from Semarang.
Pangdabu, from Calcutta.
Wm. Ezra & Co., from London.
D. de H. FARRANT, Superintendent, Hongkong, Feb. 26, 1920.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here:—
Express, Baney Maru, Anchoring, from Kobe.
S.S. Yabikomaru at Mitsubishi Shoji Branch, from Kobe.

Tungshingcheung Vingyensee Road 66, from Shanghai.
Ptiki, from Kobe.
Chungmunyue, from Shanghai.
Singlee, from Kobe.
Kwangtala, next of Sincere Co., from Shanghai.

Kwarchishang, from Amoy.
Wingtungchong, from Shanghai.
Captain Usui Hwahwa, Yusen-kaisa, from Kobe.

Yancheng, from Kobe.
Chaiting, from Osaka.
Oginomatsu Barahatee, from Tanokuchi.

Courtees, from Shanghai.
World Insurance Co., from Shanghai.
Yulal, from Amoy.

Fredrick A. Smith Butterfield Swire, s.s. Sunning, from Shanghai.
Sinthyekee, from Amoy.
Shunon, from Shanghai.
Pousette Trade Commissioner, from Shanghai.

T. KRING, Superintendent, Hongkong, Feb. 27, 1920.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on February 1, 1920. CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

Station	1919	1920
Tiam	22.9 Below	5.3 Below
Tiam	26.3 Below	23.2 Below
Tiam	0.2 Below	0.3 Below
Tiam	10.5 Below	26.10 Below
Tiam	4.1 Below	0.7 Below
Tiam	4.1 Below	35.6 Below
Tiam	17.5 Below	11.8 Below
Tiam	17.5 Below	11.8 Below

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

Station	1919	1920
Tiam	218.42	310.47
Tiam	154.36	160.33
Tiam	1,176.68	847.00
Tiam	29.30	34.31

Total: 1,597.25 1,356.54

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of January.

Station	1919	1920
Consumption	163.10	132.37 M. gallons
Estimated	274.200	277.800

Consumption per day: 21.5 22.4 gallons

Constant supply in all districts during January of both 1919 and 1920.

KOWLOON WATERWORKS LEVEL.

Station	1919	1920
Kowloon	4.9	9.3
Gravitation	Below	Below
Reservoir	Below	Below

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

Station	1919	1920
Kowloon	304.80	263.02

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of January.

Station	1919	1920
Consumption	38.62	47.23 M. gallons
Estimated	102.950	104.750

Consumption per day: 12.4 14.9 gallons

The Government Analyst's reports show that the water is of excellent quality.

W. CHATHAM, Water Authority.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD.

The Steamship S.S. "WEST SELENE," From SAN FRANCISCO via JAPAN PORTS & SHANGHAI.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignee's risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on February 27th, at 10 a.m., and February 28th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after February 28th, will be subject to rent.

No fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. As Operators, U.S. SHIPPING BOARD Hongkong, 21st February, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD. The Steamship S.S. "CADDOPPEAK," From CALCUTTA via MADRAS, PENANG and SINGAPORE.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that they must take immediate delivery of same from alongside, and all cargo impeding discharge will be landed at their risk and expense into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignee's risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on Feb. 27th at 10 a.m., and Feb. 28th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after Feb. 29th, will be subject to rent.

No fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. As Operators, U.S. SHIPPING BOARD Hongkong, 22nd February, 1920.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD.

The Steamship S.S. "LAKE GILPEN," From CALCUTTA via MADRAS, RANGOON, SINGAPORE & SAIGON.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that they must take immediate delivery of same from alongside, and all cargo impeding discharge will be landed at their risk and expense into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignee's risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on February 27th at 10 a.m. and February 28th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after February 29th, will be subject to rent.

No fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. As Operators, U.S. SHIPPING BOARD Hongkong, 22nd February, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD. The Steamship "PILSNA" From TRIESTE & SINGAPORE.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods have been landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

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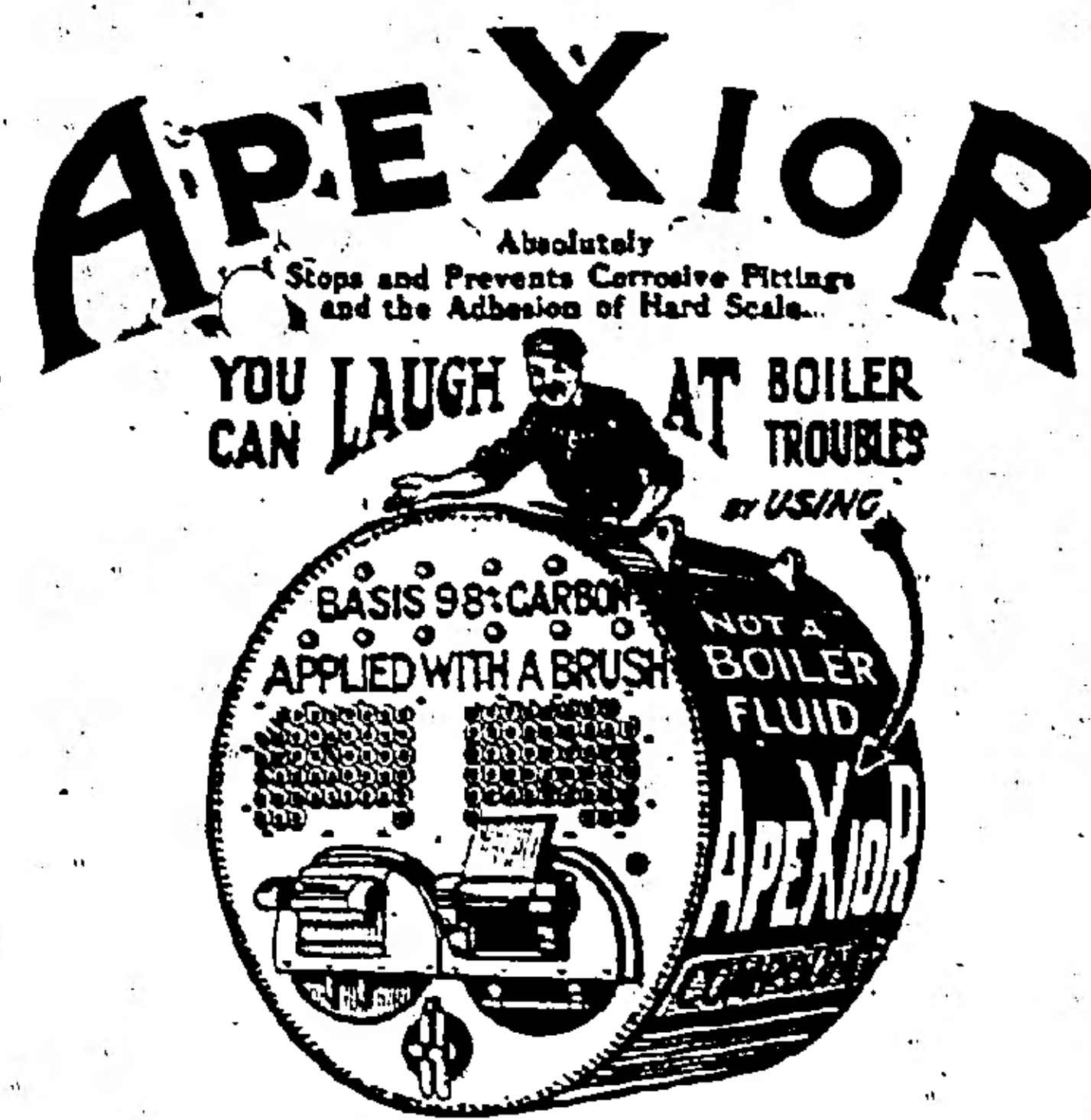
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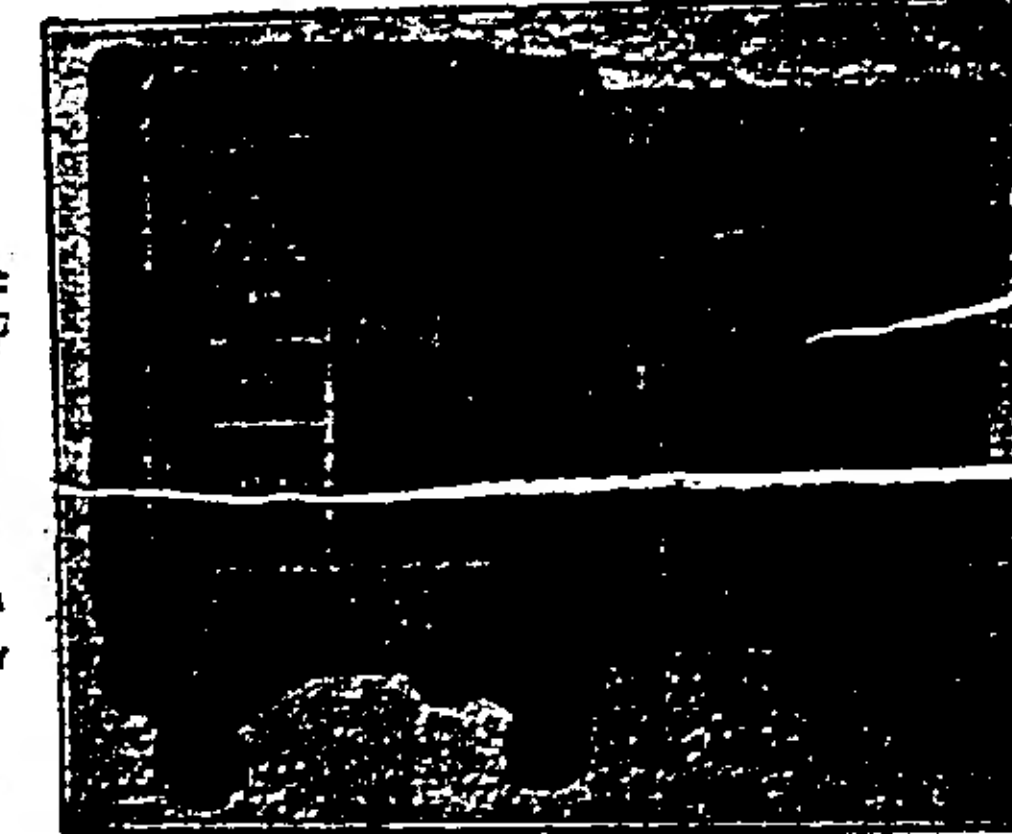
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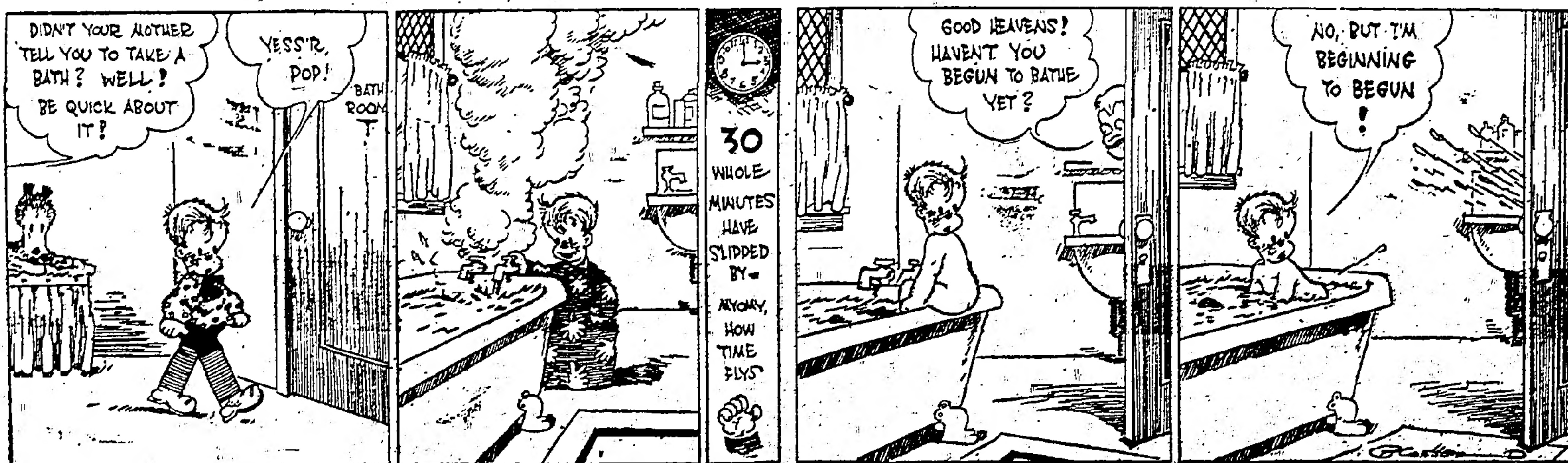
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IMPORTANCE OF OVERSEAS TRADE.

London, Feb. 25.
Sir Auckland Geddes, in a speech at the British Industries Fair, which yesterday was visited by the King and Queen, urged that the Fair since its inauguration in 1913 had entirely changed its character. It was no longer an opportunity for the buyer to fill up a gap, but presented opportunity to buyers from all parts of the world to secure goods of any class they desired. The Government was contemplating a further development, namely showrooms on the continent and elsewhere. He stressed that the only way to win back the pre-war commercial prosperity was by the development of the export trade. At present the home market was almost too attractive. Profits were easily made and buyers were clamouring for goods, but it was the overseas market on which British trade must rely for continuation of prosperity. He suggested the advisability of business men setting aside a considerable part of their goods for sale overseas. He concluded by announcing that the Government was contributing £100,000 to guarantee the fund of the British Empire Exhibition, which would be held in London from May to October 1921.

FRENCH PREMIER IN LONDON.

Paris, Feb. 23.
M. Millerand left Paris yesterday for London. M. Berthelot, Director of the French Foreign Office, who has been carrying on negotiations in London during M. Millerand's absence, will meet the Premier at Folkestone. The "Daily Mail" writes that the return of M. Millerand is likely to have early results. His absence delayed decisions which may now be made. At a meeting on Saturday of the Chamber Foreign Affairs Commission M. Millerand gave a full explanation of recent negotiations. M. Briand declared himself in favour of allowing the Turks to retain Constantinople.—Havas.

NEED FOR STATISTICS.

London, Feb. 25.
At a farewell dinner to the overseas delegates of the Imperial Statistical Conference a letter from Lt. Col. Amery was read emphasising the necessity for the fullest possible statistics with regard to trade, agriculture, mining, finance, population, cost of living, labour and migration, and proper co-ordination in order to develop and utilise the resources of the Empire to the fullest extent. He was sure the deliberations of the Conference had greatly contributed to the attainment of that end, which he would do everything in his power to further.

X-RAY AND KINEMA COMBINE.

Paris, Feb. 23.
The French medical men, M. Lormon and M. Commanodon, have just perfected a combined X-ray and kinema apparatus which permits filming the interior of animals, showing on the screen all movements of various organs.—Havas.

CLEMENCEAU IN EGYPT.

Paris, Feb. 23.
M. Clemenceau, travelling up the Nile, visited Luxor and Karnak. He dined with Field Marshal Allenby returning from the Sudan and he will go then to Khartoum and the Blue Nile.—Havas.

MR. ASQUITH RETURNED.

London, Feb. 25.
The Paisley election result is as follows: Mr. Asquith, 14,738; Mr. Biggar (Labour) 11,902; Mr. MacKean (Coalition Unionist) 2,785.
[At the General Election the figures were:—Sir John McCallum (Liberal), 7,542; Mr. Biggar (Co-operative), 7,436; Mr. John Taylor (National Democrat), 7,201.]

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

STRAITS AFFAIRS.

Singapore, February 25.
The Governor, at Penang, replying to various addresses presented to him, stated the Government had practically decided on a small nickel coin. He hoped that when the Prai wharves were constructed a Port Trust would be formed.

PROBLEM OF WORLD LABOUR.

RESULTS OF WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

In the opinion of Mr. G. N. Barnes, who recently returned from Washington, where he represented the British Government at the International Labour Conference, that unique assembly marked the birth of a new and promising industrial era, and its work is likely to have far-reaching consequences and prove of great permanent value.

In the course of an interview with a representative of The Observer, Mr. Barnes discussed some of the most important phases of the Conference, and indicated the remarkable advance made towards improved industrial conditions, especially in the Far East. "The Conference," he said, "was remarkable in several respects. It was the first occasion on which the accredited representatives of employers, workmen and the Governments ever met in international convocation. At one time in certain quarters doubts prevailed as to the result. These doubts are now dispelled. From the first it was evident that the representatives were actuated by a sincere desire to find practical solutions of problems which have not only perplexed them for years past, but were becoming increasingly and dangerously acute.

No fewer than forty-one countries were represented, so the Conference was essentially international. The most notable absentees were the United States and Germany. Although our meetings were presided over by Mr. Secretary Wilson, the States could not be officially represented in any capacity in consequence of the Treaty. It was rather an anomalous position, the Conference having been convened and invited by President Wilson to meet at Washington.

POSITION OF GERMANY.

"As regards Germany, the Conference decided that she might send delegates if she so desired, but owing to the dockers' strike in New York and the consequent dislocation of ocean transport, she was unable to do so.

"Of course," added Mr. Barnes, "we have made provision for the United States and Germany to come in. In setting up the Executive places for both were expressly reserved, but in the meantime, until the States ratifies the Treaty, it has been arranged that Denmark should represent them.

THE DELEGATES.

"A word or two," the Minister continued, "respecting the high standing and representative character of the delegates. The Italian Minister at Washington was one of Italy's representatives; Viscount Izard did duty for Spain; Monseigneur Noelsens, leader of the Catholic party, for Holland; and Dr. Sultz, Swiss Ambassador at Washington, for Switzerland. The employers were represented by equally responsible persons, such as Mr. Marjoribanks of Armstrong's; indeed, the leading employers' associations evinced keen interest in the Conference and sent able delegates. Prominent workers represented the men—Stuart Bunning, Tom Shaw, Miss MacArthur, and Miss Bondfield. France sent M. Jouhaux, an outstanding figure in the Syndicalist movement on the Continent, and Italy sent Signor Ballesi.

In view of what happened at the Conference, special importance attaches to the delegates from the Far East. Thus, from Japan we had Dr. Oko, head of the Labour Department, and Mr. Sanji Nuto, who is not only a

big employer, but a leading publicist who has written important books on free trade. India sent Mr. Kerhaw, an official of many years' standing, and Mr. Murray, chief director of a group of jute mills that employ 250,000 hands.

JAPAN'S CONCESSIONS.

"And now as regards the work of the Conference," said Mr. Barnes. "It adopted conventions on the eight-hours day and unemployment, the protection of women and children, and the endorsement of the Berne Conference. Of course, there was a certain amount of talk of an academic, altruistic character. That was to be expected; but for the most part speakers kept their feet on mother-earth. They were eager for practical results, not flaming phrases and high-flown perorations.

"One of the most important features of the Conference was the adoption of the agreements made with Asiatic countries with regard to their introducing approximately European standards. Japan, in particular, has agreed to very substantial improvements in Labour conditions, including the prohibition of child labour under fourteen, thus bringing herself at a bound on a level in this respect with Europe and America. Japan has also agreed to adopt the eight hours for youths up to fifteen, and in three years' time to sixteen; also to reduce hours generally to nine and a half per day, with a provision of sixty hours per week in the silk industry. Further Japan has adopted the Berne Convention protecting women from night work, and also providing for the weekly rest. Altogether, Japan has made a tremendous advance in industrial improvement.

"The same may be said of India," added Mr. Barnes, "though the agreements do not embody so substantial an improvement as in the case of Japan. A further advance, however, is expected next year.

"I regard these agreements with Japan and India as achievements of the highest importance. So far as Japan is concerned, they possess the validity of a commercial treaty, for her delegates were invested with full powers. That apart, the agreements tend to remove one of the chief industrial difficulties England and Europe generally, as well as America, have had to face; to some extent they dispel the fear of Japan flooding European and American markets. The movement is an indication of her desire to bring herself into alignment with Western countries, and shows she is anxious to fulfil all the obligations incidental to her entry into the League of Nations. In adopting these to her advanced economic ideas, Japan has displayed great mental enlightenment. She placed herself abreast of the best aspirations of the Western race.

THE USE OF ENGLISH.

"Another remarkable feature of the Conference was the extent to which English was spoken by the delegates. In the case of such Far Eastern countries as India, Japan, China, Siam, and Persia, all their delegates spoke English, many of them fluently. This simplified proceedings immensely. There was no language difficulty, so to speak. French and English were the two official languages, and only one delegate, an Italian workers' representative, used his native tongue. This widespread knowledge and use of English is a hopeful sign that our language is becoming the diplomatic as well as the commercial language of the world."

Mr. Barnes declined to express any opinion respecting the political situation in the States, especially in respect to the dead-

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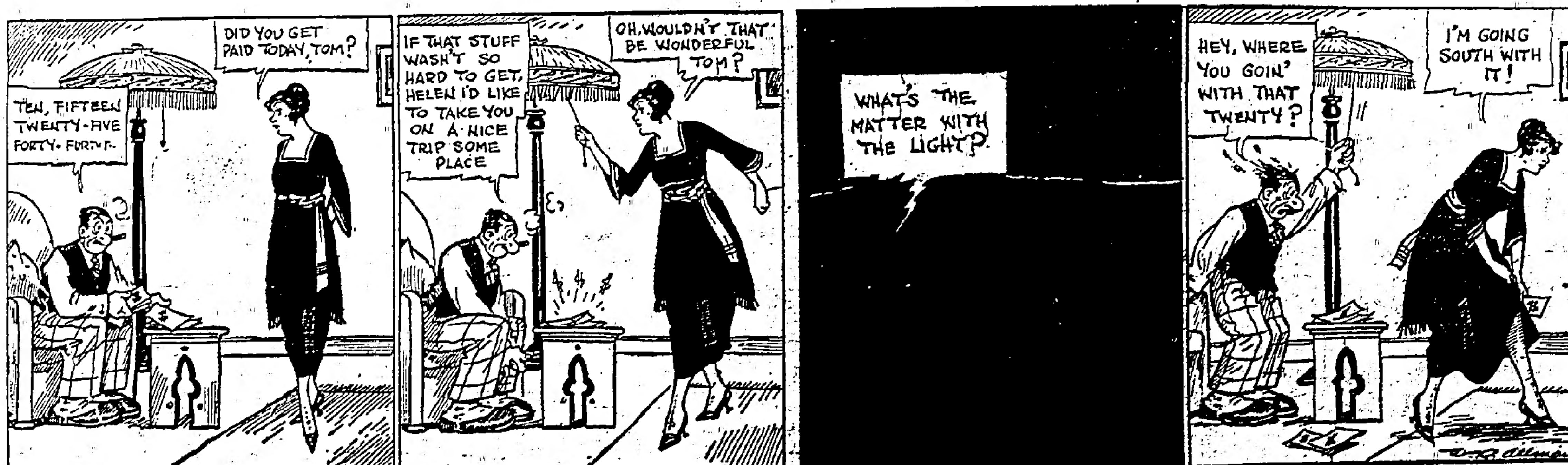
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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 7th March, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Thursday, 4th March 1920.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godowns, where same will be examined on Thursday, 4th March, 1920 at 11 A.M.

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Shipping.	
Douglases	b. 87
H.K. Steamboats	b. 20
Indos (Pref.)	n. 20
Indos (Def.)	n. 215
Shells	n. 255
Ferries	s. 29
Refineries.	
Sugars	b. & sa. 211
Malabons	s. 43
Mining.	
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Shanghai Loans	b. t. 12
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West Points	n. 58
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Hongkong, Feb. 28, 1920.

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SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME ARSENAL STREET.—Sunday Evening, Gospel Services 8 p.m.

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Japan—Per HAKATA M., 29th Feb.
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Japan—Per CEYLON M., 1st Mar.
Straits and Calcutta—Per RANGON M., 1st Mar.
Straits and Calcutta—Per TAI-AN M., 3rd Mar.
Straits—Per YOKOHAMA M., 3rd Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

TO-MORROW.
Macao—Per SUI AN, 29th Feb., 8.15 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per QUINNEBAUG, 29th Feb., 9 a.m.
Swatow, Pakhoi and Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 29th Feb., 9 a.m.
Japan via Nagasaki and San Francisco—Per KOYO M., 29th Feb., 9 a.m.
MONDAY, 1ST MARCH.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per PAUL LECAT, 1st March, 9 a.m.
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 1st Mar., 1.15 p.m.
Amoy, Shanghai and North China—Per CHINKIANG, 1st Mar., 4 p.m.
Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 1st Mar., 4.15 p.m.
TUESDAY, 2ND MARCH.
Shanghai and North China—Per DUNERA, 2nd Mar., 9 a.m.
Saigon—Per SUI SANG, 2nd Mar., 9 a.m.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per LIANGCHOW, 2nd Mar., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per AMAKUSA MARU, 2nd Mar., 9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, S. Africa, L. Marques, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & EUROPE VIA SUEZ—Per PYRRHUS, 2nd Mar., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
The Parcel Mail will be closed on Monday, 1st March, at 5 p.m.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 2nd Mar., 1.15 p.m.

Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 2nd March, 2 p.m.

Amoy, Shanghai & North China—Per CHINKIANG, 2nd March, 3 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 2nd Mar., 4.15 p.m.

Straits, Bangkok and Egypt—Per HAGUE MARU, 2nd Mar., 5 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per VICTORIA, 2nd Mar., Reg. 5 p.m. Wednesday 3rd Letters 8.30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH.

Macao—Per SUI AN, 3rd Mar., 8.15 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America & EUROPE VIA VICTORIA B.C.—Per AFRICA M., 3rd Mar., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Tientsin—Per HUICHOW, 3rd Mar., 2 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 3rd Mar., 4.15 p.m.

THURSDAY, 4TH MARCH.*

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 4th Mar., 8.15 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per SINKIANG, 4th March, 11 a.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4th Mar., 4.15 p.m.

FRIDAY, 5TH MARCH.

Macao—Per SUI AN, 5th Mar., 8.15 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI HONG, 5th Mar., noon.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONGKONG.—29th February, 1920.
2nd Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion (7.50 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.). Responses: Ferial. Venite: Savage. Psalms: 119 (24th evening) verses 1-32. Fitzherbert. Te Deum: Woodward, Smart and Turle. Benedictus: Garrett. Hymns: 4, 277. Sevenfold Amen. N.B.—Psalm 119, verses 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 12, 17, 22, 24, 25, 29 and 32 in unison. Gloria only after verse 32. Hymn 4 verses 1, 3 and 5 in unison. Hymn 277 verses 1 and 4 in unison. Litany (12 noon). Evening (6 p.m.) Responses: Ferial. Psalms: 119 (25th morning) verses 33-48. Jones, 49-72. Lesson: Magnificat: Barnby. Nunc Dimittis: Wesley. Hymns: 285, 90, 19. Sevenfold Amen. N.B.—Psalm 119, verses 33, 38, 41, 42, 46, 49, 50, 53, 54, 57, 58, 61, 62, 65, 66, 71 & 72 in unison. Gloria only after verse 72. Hymn 285, verses 1 and 4 in unison. Hymn 90, verses 1 and 5 in unison. Hymn 19, verses 1 and 5 in unison. Organ Recital on Monday week March 8th, at 6 p.m. Rehearsals for the Oratorio will commence on Thursday next at 6 p.m. Choir Practice at 5.30 p.m. during Lent.

UNION CHURCH KENNEDY ROAD.—Sunday Services Feb. 29th. Morning at 11 a.m. Hymns: 381, 544, 207, 11. Psalm 40. Evening at 6 p.m. Hymns: 373, 240, 392, 618. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, WANCHAI.—Sunday 29th February, 1920. Morning Service 10.15 a.m. Evening Service 6.00 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. A. Gimblett, M.A.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WEST POINT.—Sunday, Feb. 29th 1920. 8 a.m. Holy Communion 11 a.m. Morning Prayer, and Sermon.

PEAK CHURCH.—Holy Communion at 8.15 a.m.